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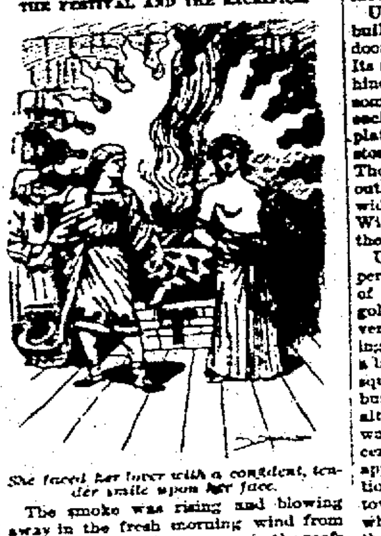


She faced her lover with a confident, tender smile upon her face.

The smoke was rising and blowing away in the fresh morning wind from hundreds of round apertures in the roofs as the people of Atzlan prepared their morning meal hurriedly, for they were anxious to be out and preparing for the greatest of their religious festivals. One by one they emerged and clambered quickly down the tall ladders until hundreds of them were gathered about in groups or busily arranging for the ceremonies of the day, gathering fruits and flowers, maize cakes and pinon nuts for the minor sacrifices, and decorating the interior and front of the court and temple. To each of the four great phratries or divisions of the inhabitants, according to kinship, was assigned particular duties connected with the festival.

While some were engaged in building and decorating bowers others prepared food in great quantities, while others arranged for the games and dances which followed the sacrifices. Others were driving the animals devoted to sacrifice into an inclosed field.

Gathered in front of the temple stood a number of priests waiting to form in the sacred procession and chatting merrily, with frequent jests, among themselves. Their white dresses formed a contrast with the brilliant coloring of the costumes of the people, and the red suns embroidered upon their breasts, the emblem of their holy calling, showed forth the more conspicuously.

Multitudes of little, stunted, wolfish dogs ran in and out between the people's legs, attesting by frequent howls a plentitude of well aimed kicks. The houses emptied forth into the square every inmate, for every living soul in the city who was able to move or to be moved was obliged to be present at the sacrifice—and few were loath to witness the spectacle. Its bloody delights were eagerly awaited and long remembered. Children were there to be held up to see the rare sight and to have it impressed upon their memories by many a reminder in future years, and old women, wagging their heads, told of many a past scene of splendid slaughter, when were killed not one but a dozen beautiful virgins to appease Kinchahan's wrath in times of famine.

Kulcan stood upon the temple roof gazing down upon the scene. The aged Iklapel, weary with his vigil, was slumbering in the warm sunlight, his withered hand resting on the edge of the altar, whose fire seemed dying slowly out. The young priest was not clad in his sacred robes, but wore a long yellow tunic, encircled at the waist by a belt made of turquoise squares set in gold and fastened by a looped serpent. On his head he wore a feather cap, surmounted by an eagle's plume—the totem of his family. His legs were naked, revealing a shapely, muscular development, and his feet were clad in leather shoes or buskins, with heavy neat's leather soles. They were fastened with gold loops over buttons of the same metal. Around his left wrist was coiled a heavy bracelet, modeled like a serpent with raised head—the rattlesnake of the plains and canyons—a sacred, mysterious emblem of their religion.

He was tall and well built, and his face was browned by exposure to the burning suns of twenty-six summers. But the narrow opening in his tunic showed a skin beneath as white as ivory. With eyes of deep blue and hair of tawny yellow he resembled as he stood there, his lip curled into a contemptuous sneer, gazing fixedly at the group of priests below, a viking chieftain, a man of the land of cold and snow instead of the hot arid desert. But his mouth and chin showed elements of weakness and vacillation, and the blue eyes held an indecision and wavering in their depths that betrayed his character.

He had already acquiesced in the old priest's decision and realized the uselessness of opposition. In him there was none of the stuff of the hero who would die defending the woman he loved, nor dared he kill himself with the knife that slew her. No, he would wait—perhaps some miracle might occur. What if Iklapel were wrong after all, and Quetzalcoatl should appear? And, too, it was a question not only of self preservation, but of his religion, of his priestly order and their fat livings and cherished privileges. Though he loved Ainee with all his heart, yet he questioned, What was one man's love to be set against the interests of a whole priesthood—despise them though he did one and all from the bottom of heart?

Then his thoughts turned in bitter hatred against them, and he felt that he could do no better than to shatter the whole system of lying and deceit, pretense and jugglery. But he was not sure, even were he to die, that such would be the result. In the turmoil of his thoughts, for he was used to little thinking, having heretofore allowed Iklapel to perform that duty for him, he finally resolved to let affairs take their course, weakly hoping against hope that something would intervene. Skeptical though he was as to his religion, he had still a strong taint of Atzlan superstition inrooted in him, part of his very nature, and the prodigy of the night, as Iklapel related it, certainly signified something at least unusual about to occur.

He made his decision, or allowed it rather to be made for him by the force of circumstances as well as habit, and awakening the high priest they descended the trapdoor behind the altar together and attired themselves in their sacred robes.

Unlike the continuous encircling building, the temple was not without doors or windows on the ground floor. Its stories were set successively one behind the other, giving the structure somewhat the appearance of a pyramid, each story having a wide terrace or platform completely around it, and stone steps leading to the one above. The second floor was reached on the outside by a graded ascent thirty feet wide, the platform being even wider. Within there were also ladders, as in the other parts of the city.

Upon the top of the temple before the perpetual fire stood an immense effigy of the sun, made of solid and virgin gold, supported by heavy braces of silver, facing toward the east and reflecting the rays of the heavenly luminary in a blaze of blinding splendor. The small square apartment on which it rested was built of cedar, covered externally with alternate plates of gold and silver, the walls within being coated with a white cement composed of gypsum and nearly approaching plaster of paris in composition. As I have said, the temple stood toward the western end of the court, where the houses were lowest and near the canyon walls, the distance therefrom being about sixty feet, so that for the greater part of the day it rested in the cool shadow of the cliffs.

At the southwest corner, close to the altar, now stood Iklapel, holding in his hand his pointed tiara, like that of the modern pope, made of the skin of a huge rattlesnake, with the head surmounting it [illegible]. The [illegible] of the tiara on his head was the signal for the great procession to begin its march.

He had resigned all other duties to the young and vigorous Kulcan, who was already below, busied in arranging the last details of the festival. In the complicated mythology of the Atzlans there were minor gods to be appeased by lesser sacrifices, and these were to be performed in the regular order of the day, leading up to the noonday rite—the sacrifice of a maiden, chosen by lot, before the altar of Kinchahan.

The people were all within the court with the exception of a few tardy stragglers bearing bundles of fagots from the pinon orchards outside the city; even these were hurrying in order to obtain places in the procession. The uproar was immense—each citizen seemed vying with the other as though to drown thought and anxiety—the pressure of feeling bringing a feverish hilarity to the surface in a naturally grave and serious people.

Opposite the temple, at an open door, whose wooden lintel was scarce three feet from its threshold, which was rounded and hollowed by centuries of constant footwear, sat a little child almost hidden in the mass of jasmine-like flowers that grow closely about the narrow portal. Her beadlike black eyes glittered with eager impatience as she watched the groups of people gather. While she wove the delicate blossoms into a garland to deck her black hair—for she was to walk with other children in the procession—she ever cast her eyes into the dark recesses of the room and murmured petulantly, calling now and then:

"Oh, grandmother, hurry! Eltza is waiting. I shall be left out!"

After a time slow and feeble footsteps were heard within, and an old woman appeared—an old woman bearing the weight of years so heavily that she scarce needed to bend an inch in emerging through the little opening. It was the child's grandmother, Intzu, the oldest woman in the city, one of the weavers of the cloth of which the sacred white robes were made—a duty which devolved upon the most aged and most skilled of the women. Her face was shriveled like an old dried apple, so full of wrinkles that not an eighth of an inch of skin was left uncreased, yet her teeth were as white and regular as her grandchild's and her eyes as bright and piercing.

She came out into the glaring light blinking her eyes and puckering the skin about them in concentric wrinkles in an endeavor to see the child among the flowers, and seated herself with a contented chuckle beside her on the sill.

"Ah—the sun is good. He warms old Intzu's bones, though not as fondly as he was wont to do in the old days. And today is another feast—how quickly they come now! Times are changed. Formerly they were far apart, and we waited long for the sacrifice. Now they tread each other's hurrying heels."

"How many have you seen, grandmother?" asked the child, creeping closer.

"Many, many, my child! Two katuns have I lived through, and each katun is fifty-two years in length. And the gods were kind! I was not chosen for the sacrifice, though I was married late in life, for you must know that 'tis only the maidens who are taken, and none is exempt but the blind or lame. Even the wise and good Lela, your cousin, may be chosen when the fatal dice are thrown again, when the feast of the katun comes, two years hence. I have stood upon the housetop and seen a companion of my youth given to the gods, and then, years after, my daughters stood with me and beheld the same sight until it has grown an old tale to me. Yet we have always made merry, for who may mourn those who go to dwell with the god? Some day, they say, Quetzalcoatl, the fair god, yellow haired like the sun, whose child he is, will appear and claim the victim as his bride, but we have waited in vain, my Eltza, for many generations, and perhaps he has forgotten us down in the canyon. But we look for him, for when he comes there will be no more sacrifices, no more famine, no more plagues."

"Oh, I hope he will come!" said Eltza, taking her grandmother's hand.

"After the sacrifice is finished," continued the old woman, "the people break forth in songs of gladness and make merry with shouts and feasting all that day until the sun goes down, but the god knows, and his servant Intzu knows, the secret wailings and sorrow in the houses of his people, who fear that the next feast will take from some dwelling the light thereof forever."

"But Quetzalcoatl may come today, grandmother."

"Alas, my Eltza, I fear not; the hope of it long ago faded in my breast."

"I shall watch for him," said the child, "and I believe he has been waiting for our Ainee to grow up, and he will come and take her."

"Perhaps," said Intzu with a heavy sigh as the flood of memories surged over her mind; "but come, they are nearly ready."

Then rising, she turned and called to some one within:

"Lela, my own, we must go. Iklapel stands prepared to give the signal, and everything is ready."

In a moment there appeared at the door a girl whose tall figure formed a dazzling picture against the darkness of the interior. Bending with stately grace she came into the light clad in a clinging gown of pale blue cotton, which revealed the superb outlines of her form. Her eyes were a deep blue, and her golden hair, tinged with a suggestion of auburn, and her white face upon which the blue veins showed in her excitement, made her seem like a vision of some Norseman's daughter—a child of some snowland of the north. A lovely face, with grave, serious eyes and a mouth of wondrous beauty, and yet so strong and earnest, and withal showing a capacity for loving—a passionate mouth, formed for kisses and tender smiles.

She was very pale and her lips were compressed with emotion, and there was a look of indignation and protest in her eyes which showed to plainly her thoughts.

"Must I go grandmother? Can I not remain here? Oh, I cannot witness it!"

"My child," the old woman answered, "it is so—you must come. No one would be missed so quickly as you. The city's ruler is dead; you, his only daughter, cannot absent yourself from the great feast unnoticed. Already they have seen you, my darling, and many eyes are upon you. Chalpa now is looking at us, and he motions us to make haste."

"Yes, I feel his serpent eyes upon me, though I cannot look upon him. I will go; 'twill be but a little while."

She covered her hair and forehead with a white scarf, shielding her eyes from the sun, and with a visible effort at self control took the hand of the child Eltza and followed the bent form of the aged weaver.

As they took their places old Iklapel placed the tiara upon his head and the procession began to move. First came the body of priests in their white robes, a hundred or more, chanting a low monotonous song, followed by eight chiefs bearing a litter of wood covered with gold and decked with flowers, in which sat Ainee, a dark skinned girl of eighteen, already under the influence of the potent aitsi—a drink distilled from maize—and forming a picture that sent shudders through Lela's frame.

Then came the four death priests, swinging censors of gold and filling the air with an aromatic scent. Their faces were painted most skillfully to represent skulls; their heads were shaved, and their tightly fitting garments were likewise made to convey the idea of skeletons. The effect upon the minds of the people was ghastly and thrilling.

Behind them came the members of the order of the Kabilo, an ancient secret society, to the number of four hundred, clad in black, the foremost carrying a corpse between them. Many of them led little spotted dogs—a favorite form of sacrifice to Chalcu, the serpent, the dread god of evil.

Then came the principal families, in the order of their rank and wealth, with bearers of food, drink, flowers and fruits for sacrifice at the different altars, which were located at intervals all around the great court. The populace followed, in less order and with more or less disputing, and stretched out the long parade until the rear nearly touched the leaders and all could see the entire ceremonies.

When order had been attained they moved slowly and with great solemnity toward a huge heap of wood upon which had been cast the sweepings of the houses, old utensils and clothing, baskets and fishing nets—in fact everything that would be renewed yearly in the household. This was ignited with a brand from the sacred fire by Kulcan, who, covered with small bells and attired in a gorgeous feather robe, marched slightly in advance, with much show of pomp, the priests chanting solemnly.

The procession moved on to a large stone altar, upon which rested the figure of a woman, most hideously carved, bearing in her arms maize and other fruits. This was Ixcan-leox, the goddess of maize. To her was sacrificed bread and pinon nuts and all manner of produce of the fields, brought in baskets and laid around the altar. Four chiefs stood at the corners and held aloft a red cord, under which all who had purified themselves by fasting and dreaming were permitted to enter. Before Ixcan-leox they burned little balls of incense, each casting his ball into the braziers of gold, while the people prayed silently, kneeling, for good and bounteous crops.

Then they moved onward to the altar of Am, the sacred stone, the emblem of life, some holding it to be but the ancient symbol of the sun god himself. It was simply an upright conical stone standing upon a pedestal; before it, in a great fire, they sacrificed sheep and rabbits, also wounding themselves and dropping their blood into a number of braziers set about the altar. Women, kissing this stone of Am, invoked the blessings of maternity with loud pleadings. Farther on stood the dread image of Chalcu—the very sight of which affrighted not only the children, but old men as well—a hideous figure, with a huge serpent coiled about his form, out of whose mouth came a pale bluish flame continually, as though he hungered for blood.

Before him the people prostrated themselves, while even among the younger priests blanched faces showed here and there. To Chalcu they burned many little spotted dogs, and consigned the corpse which the Kabilo carried to the devouring flames.

Kulcan addressed the prostrate multitude with devout gravity and earnest mien, advising them as to what they should do to avert evil, and announced to them the solemn feast of "Katun," or the fifty-second year, which would occur two years hence, telling them to prepare their daughters for the fatal lottery.

Then opening a folded parchment he read to them the omens for the future year, announcing the findings of those whose duty it was to study the stars and other signs. He prayed aloud to Chalcu to be merciful, to tempt no man beyond his strength, to bring no evil to the city, but to be satisfied with the sacrifice of his servants.

It was evident that each word was echoed by the groaning fear stricken multitude, to whom, as we shall see, the serpent emblem meant more than a mere idea, and represented a real and horrible memory of a terrific event.

It was high noon, the rays of the sun falling from immediately overhead upon the city, so that the great dialpost cast but an inch or two of purple shadow.

The dread event of the day was about to occur, and the people pressed one another closer in their desire to obtain a nearer view. Very many slipped from the ranks and mounted to the highest housetops in order to witness every detail of the awful scene.

Iklapel, standing motionless on the temple, felt that the procession was nearing him. A strange commingling of fear and hope moved him, for the memory of the voice in the storm was fresh in his mind, and he felt that the hour had come for the manifestation or intervention which he expected. The head of the procession had already nearly reached the temple summit. He heard the measured tread of feet as they mounted the graded causeway, and knew that in another moment Kulcan with his charge would stand beside him.

Had Iklapel's vision been what it was of old, and had his eyes been directed upward toward the frowning cliffs, he would have been startled to see a face peering down upon the wondrous scene—a face in which astonishment and gratification were mingled, for the owner of it saw white faces in the multitude below him and felt himself safe. He would have seen a body belonging to the face emerge and descend the crumbling, ladder like pathway, rifle and bird in hand, in eager anticipation of a welcome which meant food and drink to a hungry and thirsty man. But Iklapel saw nothing, nor did one eye turn in all that host of gazing faces upward toward the real sun—to the golden emblem of which they sacrificed.

Each face was turned toward the temple in a fixed expectancy, eager to catch every action of the priests and the victim. Many were there who had seen but one such sight, when children; children were there to see it for the first time—were to be held up so that they might see and hold it in their minds; aged and middle aged, who had seen it before, some of them many times—all waited the last dread act in the tragedy.

The litter containing Ainee was at last placed before the altar, and to the surprise of all the girl stepped from it calmly and with firmness. Her face bore no trace of the intoxicating aitsi, its effects having passed away in the trying hours of the morning. Borne up, even until the last terrible moment, by a firm conviction that Kulcan, her avowed lover, would devise some means to save her, she faced the four dread figures of the death priests and suffered them to bind her shapely arms behind her without a movement or a shudder.

But when Iklapel stepped forward as the weird chant of the Kabilo began and handed Kulcan the sacrificial knife she started, and her eyes were filled with a tearless appeal. Even yet her faith in his wisdom and his love did not desert her, but when she saw that he trembled and averted his eyes a chill swept her frame and the awful truth burst upon her in a moment. Casting her eyes upward in a wild, terrified gaze, she saw what calmed her in an instant, and she faced her lover with a confident, tender smile upon her face.

Kulcan had taken the knife, an ancient blade of white quartz—a material which supplied so many beautiful stone weapons to the prehistoric races—and he stood before Ainee with a pallid face, the cold perspiration upon his brow glistening in the sunlight in an attitude of prayer. He had come to the supreme test of his priesthood and his love, and the priest had conquered the lover, but he wanted the courage to strike the blow; the moment was one of the deepest torture to him and to most of the spectators, who, spellbound with emotion, stood in deepest silence, unbroken by even a breath.

Chalpa, the second priest, standing close to Iklapel, his dark face, drawn lips and set teeth making him a living resemblance of the god of evil himself, cursed under his breath at the delay.

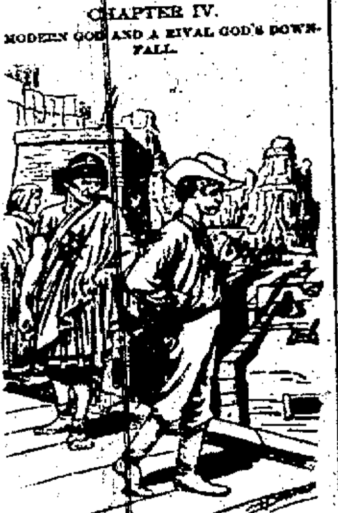
"The coward dare not strike," he muttered. "Ah! would that he dared refuse! Then I should hold his place this day, for the people would tear him to pieces for spoiling this goodly sport. Let me but grasp the knife and they would be rarely served. Aha! the dog will do it after all!" for Kulcan had raised his head, and with one long despairing look deep into the girl's smiling eyes placed the blade against her bare throat with a hand whose trembling made the weapon flash in the light like a row of diamonds. As he drew in his breath with a shuddering effort the multitude gave an audible, gasping respiration; then with one quick movement, he raised the knife aloft, his eyes fixed on the spot upon her throat where the blow must fall.

But while it trembled against the shadow of the cliff, darting back in slender shafts the rays of that sun in whose dread service it had drank the blood of his victims for unknown ages, there came a sharp, ringing report that echoed and rolled like thunder along the canyon walls and the knife was shattered in a thousand fragments, which, falling, dashed the sacred embers from the altar and extinguished the fire instantly forever. At the same moment there rang out a shrill voice, the voice of the child Eltza, crying gleefully as she smote her little hands together:

"Quetzal! Quetzal! He has come and saved our Ainee!"

CHAPTER IV.

A MODERN GOD AND A RIVAL GOD'S DOWNFALL.



He resolved to keep a watch upon him.

"I think I've broken up this performance in about as clever a manner as any playwright ever devised," was Eric Gilbert's reflection as he lowered his Winchester and surveyed the result of his shot.

Worn out by the exertions and hardships of the last two days he had slept far into the morning, and found when he awakened that the sun was pouring down into the roofless ruin in hot fury upon him.

As he lay there collecting his waking senses his ears detected a low murmur that rose and fell in musical cadence below in the canyon. Rising instantly and gazing over the low wall of rubble he beheld the procession mounting the ascent to the temple. He saw the white faces among the crowd, and his heart leaped in thankfulness.

Seizing his rifle and tenderly raising the wounded bird he ran quickly down the slanting path to the next terrace. Here the descent was more difficult, as the way had been worn by the fingers of the wind and rain for ages, and there was scarcely a foothold upon the shaley rock. But he clambered from terrace to terrace till he reached the highest of the little gardens slightly above the temple's golden top. Assured that he was as yet unnoticed, he stopped here to survey the strange spectacle.

Before him the scenes of a prehistoric age were being enacted in a prehistoric city by a people whose dress resembled the strange figures in the Mexican "Manuscript Troano."

It seemed as though the hand of time had been turned backward to the days when the triumphant Cortez marched his handful of men into Montezuma's capital.

The whole city, with its myriad ladder poles, was spread beneath him like a vast circus, with its gayly caparisoned inhabitants performing a sort of melodrama upon an elevated stage. The many figures were confusing; the eye was lost in the crowds, but his gaze followed that of the others, and his eye caught the flash of the knife in Kulcan's hand.

In an instant he realized that perhaps he was mistaken, and it flashed across his mind that he was in a city of some wild, bloody sect, who sacrificed human victims in their religious exercises.

He had not the remotest idea of course that he had discovered a people and a city older than our own civilization in these almost inaccessible wilds. But while these thoughts darted through his mind he saw the priest raise his weapon to strike, and he instantly aimed his rifle and fired at Kulcan's uplifted arm.

The bullet missed its aim and providentially struck the knife just above the priest's hand, but its effect was one entirely unexpected by Gilbert.

Standing ready to fire again, he was astonished to see the entire multitude turn and kneel together, extending their arms toward him with loud and joyful cries, unintelligible, but joyous, welcoming and fervent.

All was confusion; terror blended with joy in the many blanched faces. Quetzal, the long expected; Quetzal, the fair god, had returned! Returned, as the prophecies of ages had fortold, with the white dove of peace on his arm, as he was pictured in the ancient rock carvings and paintings, and with the thunder and lightning of heaven in his hand! He came down the cliff side, where the paths were easy, for his ear had caught the word Quetzal, and he was aware of its meaning.

Seeing that he was taken for a god of old Toltec mythology by this strange people, Gilbert resolved to accept the somewhat difficult role as his easiest form of action. Food was now his most pressing necessity—the calls of scientific discovery and research could wait. But the four chiefs, with the litter of gold, were already half way to meet him, eager to bear him in triumph into the city.

Overcome with emotion, Ainee had fallen into Kulcan's arms, and Lela was helping him bear her to the ground floor of the temple, while old Iklapel, stirred with a mighty excitement, vainly begged the dark faced Chalpa for an explanation of the unusual outcries.

Chalpa's face showed a deadly fear. Pallid and trembling, he stood gazing at the yellow bearded stranger, unable to answer Iklapel, or move, as was his duty, to welcome the descending god; a strange, prescient terror paralyzed his limbs, and his teeth chattered audibly.

The people thronged outside the principal gateway as Gilbert was carried tenderly in the litter toward the city. He held his rifle securely and loosened his revolver in its holster, not knowing the outcome of events, but resolved to see the thing through in the interests of ethnology. Every step his bearers took revealed new wonders to him, and he was becoming rapidly convinced of the truth that he was in a city of the past. Up the temple's causeway they bore him to the clean white chamber on the top—its dazzling gold plates arousing calculations of their intrinsic value in his mind at once—and they placed the litter in the center. Then they brought him water and food—the first duties of Atzlan hospitality being to supply the guest with these before anything else is done.

Bowing low before him, the priests, who had regained in some measure their composure, offered him sheets of the crisp, gauzy waiavi, a kind of bread made of meal finely ground and baked upon hot stones; thin as a wafer these sheets were rolled or folded, and they melted in his mouth deliciously. Then they brought him baked meats and cakes, with a sweet drink made from the sprouting wheat, called kali. After he had eaten his fill, which he did in a slow and careful manner, avoiding the betrayal of the fact that he was nearly starved, for a god should not, he felt, show vulgar hunger and thirst, they brought him a small carafe of the sacred aitsi, which he found to be a very ordinary brand of corn whisky, but exceedingly strong.

When he had finished he drew out his meerschaum, filled and lighted it. This proceeding was watched by the priests and as many of the chiefs as could see into the chamber with undisguised fear and trembling. The striking of the match upon the stones and the bursting of the little flame into life was a signal for a startling outcry. When the grateful smoke proceeded in gently rising circles from his mouth and the aroma filled the air the looks cast upon this living censer were of profound awe. As each new wonder unfolded to their gaze messengers were sent forth, and their voices could be heard by Gilbert as they announced the prodigy to the people who waited without.

The situation began to grow perplexing to the visitor after awhile. He wondered what was expected of him, and questioned his ability to perform his duties as a god. The role might be an exacting one, and he felt the need of instruction. The white faces which he saw around him seemed to forbid the idea of barbarism, and he addressed to Kulcan several questions in the language he was master of to be answered only in a strange, soft tongue, with many genuflections and much apparent awe.

Finally, rested and fed, he rose and strode to the door, placing his wide sombrero on his head. As he did so all hurriedly made way for him. When he appeared in view of the waiting populace they set up a great and joyous shout, to which he answered by removing his hat and bowing graciously. He was followed by the obsequious priests, Kulcan leading, in the endeavor to show him honor.

"I wonder," he mused, "if they expect me to fly away suddenly, or if this sort of thing is going to last. If it does, it will grow intolerable to a man of modest tastes."

Turning his eyes he encountered the gaze of Chalpa, whose forbidding face showed the utmost terror, the muscles of his lips working with spasmodic twitches as he met Gilbert's piercing, questioning glance. The latter knew intuitively that the man before him had some special cause to fear him, and as he noted the evil countenance he resolved to keep a watch upon him, feeling instinctively that here was an enemy, and possibly a dangerous one.

He observed at a glance the general [illegible] and about [illegible] between thirty and forty [illegible] in his own, and many that were [illegible] white, so that there were [illegible] white and a reddish brown [illegible] the [illegible] general type was a dark brunette. He noted also the surprising beauty of the young women and many of the men.

There was a decided facial resemblance among them all, as in the [illegible] race, but it was a [illegible] one—the features of the people were markedly regular. [illegible] weapons among them of any [illegible], though a few days later he found the [illegible] of bows, arrows and [illegible] stone tipped javelins in the houses, and several [illegible] made weapons of [illegible] bone, showing an advance in civilization far beyond that which the Aztecs had attained at the time of their overthrow. He was surprised at the profusion of gold and silver ornaments, [illegible] worn by even the children, denoting a source near and easily worked from which the precious metals had been obtained.

Perplexing as was the situation in which he found himself, he felt that he was fortunate in the opportunity it afforded him for a delightful study of an unknown race. "I can at least do the doctoring for the whole city, if all else fails me," he thought. "I doubt if there's another M. D. in the place. And there's that camera up above, [illegible] I might turn an honest penny making photographs."

While these practical ideas were going through his mind he strode down the stage and began to descend the causeway. At the foot of it stood little Eltza smiling up at him, with her garland in her hand, having evaded her grandmother's eyes. Gilbert took her up and kissed the merry mouth with a welcome sense of gratitude for the tender smile, for he loved children. The action was greeted by the crowds with a generous shout of joy; they ceased that moment to fear and began to love the fair haired god.

He walked around the court in a scrutiny of the gaudy and hideous idols until he came to that of Chalcu, the serpent god, and then a strange thing happened. As he stood smiling up at the hideous face, which bore no more meaning to him than a thousand other misshapen heathen effigies, the apparently solid rubble masonry of its pedestal fell apart, and the heavy image tottered and fell prostrate upon its face before him. The occurrence was seen by the entire populace, and for an instant there was a deep silence, which was followed by cries of intense rejoicing—the event was accepted instantly by the Atzlans as a natural and proper one. They felt that the evil god had fallen and bowed before his master, and that his dread reign was ended.

A single glance convinced Gilbert that the disaster to the evil deity was the result of a lack of care in the construction of the masonry of the pedestal. The fire which burned upon it before the image had in some manner weakened the plaster that held the stones together, and the weighty idol had forced them apart at a very opportune moment. It did not need a very bright intellect to see the force of the event and the impression it had left, as well as the beneficial result to all concerned. One of their idols, and by all odds the most hideous, was prostrate, and although he had no very strong religious scruples, and wished to establish no particular form of worship, he felt that it was a good beginning.

Already, as he walked about, he had begun to plan means of elevating the people and rendering their condition more in accordance with the times in which they dwelt.

Here he stood, a man of the telephone-phonograph-electric era, among a people of the stone age, his mind stored full of scientific and mechanical facts, the simplest of which would be a miracle to these crude yet evidently intelligent barbarians. He perceived that they had books, letters and records perhaps, yet they ground their meal by hand while a swift stream was flowing by their door and wasting its valuable power unnoticed.

Here was occupation and amusement at once; he had no ties to bind him to the outer world, and he could, he thought, at any rate return thither when he desired at any time; he had no near relatives to mourn his absence or seek for him in his retirement. Then, too, he could write a book about these people after he had learned their language, traditions and social conditions. The prospect began to be pleasant; he saw the future city with its water wheels turning merrily, grinding the yellow corn and pumping the water up into the irrigating channels and pipes—aye, and his mind roved on until he saw electric lights, telephone wires and newspaper offices. Then the reaction came, and he laughed to himself at his folly. But he saw that there were not even chimneys to the houses, nor glass to the windows, and he resolved to place them there.

All this time he had held Eltza's little hand, and she had walked with him. In truth, the child had unwittingly led him to the different images and other points of interest, for she, too, was alone today, and desired to see, before her grandmother began to search for her, all the new and strange sights which her short stature prevented her from observing when in the procession. The people by this time had ceased to gather around the two, and they surveyed them from a distance. They recognized their visitor's desire to see everything in his new abode, and with a delicate tact they refrained from pressing their attentions upon him. In fact many of them had returned to their houses, confident that the god would remain with them, and that they could see him on the morrow and for many days thereafter.

Kulcan and a few of the other priests had followed him at a respectful distance, more from a natural ignorance of their proper duties, under the circumstances, than from curiosity.

This thought occurred to Gilbert, and he dismissed them with a polite gesture which was readily understood and acknowledged.

The others, too, took the hint, and he was left with the child, standing before the altar of Chalchiuhtli, the goddess of love, the Atzlan Venus.

It stood at the corner of a projecting building, and was buried in flowers, its yellow face shining out with a satisfied and apparently interested leer which made Gilbert smile.

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PHILADELPHIA'S Free Trade paper, the Record, advocates placing a duty of one and one-half cents per pound on sugar, two cents on coffee and five cents on tea. And this paper represents the party which has prated about a "free breakfast table" for the poor laborer.—*American Economist.*

SENATOR HANNON has been made chairman of the Judicial Apportionment Committee of the Senate and a member of the Appropriation and Public Printing Committees. These are three very important committees and shows the estimation in which our Senator is held by the President of that body.

"IF I gave you a pound of metal and order you to make the most out of it, what kind of metal would you select?" asked a well known jeweler. "Gold, of course," was the prompt reply. "I'd prefer a pound of steel," said the jeweler, "and I'd make it into hair springs for watches. A pound of such springs would sell for an even $640,000."

THREE-FOURTHS of the bills which are sent in place in the early weeks of a legislative session are those which have been passed over or rejected by previous Legislatures. Outside of the Appropriations there are not a hundred bills required by the people of the State. A large portion of the time of the Legislature is spent in "threshing over old straw," which is culled from the files of previous sessions.

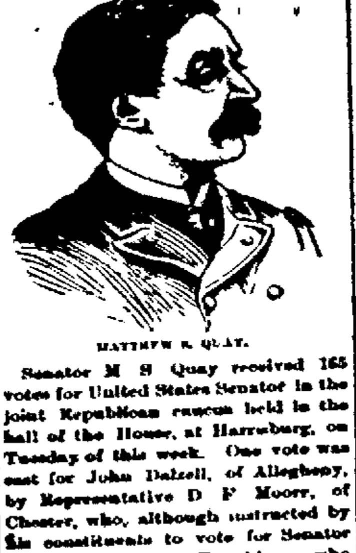
OUR friend Laymon of the Port Allegany *Reporter* is somewhat exercised because of the MINER's comments on Mr. Smith's legal qualifications. Which is the severest, to be denounced as a robber, or a weak lawyer? And when you are answering that question, brother Laymon, supposing you cite us to a complicated civil suit in which Mr. Smith, in all his career at the bar, was the leading attorney on either side. In his attacks on our business Mr. Smith travelled far from the truth. In our references to him we have dealt in facts, and facts only.

THE Republican Committeemen of the three precincts of Keating township have decided to hold a caucus in each precinct—a strictly party caucus—the calls for which appear elsewhere in this paper. The polls will be open from 4 to 9 o'clock p. m. The judges of the three precincts will meet as a Returning board at Bowers hotel in East Smethport, on Monday following the caucus, Jany. 30th, at 10 o'clock a. m., and compute the returns of the vote cast, and those candidates having the highest number of votes will be declared the nominees, and will be certified by the judges to the auditors as the candidates of the Republican party for the election to be held on the 21st day of February next.

THE Bradford *Record* has its period [illegible] of blubbering over the county printing. For years the man who is now at the head of that paper was the business manager and a participator in the profits of the *Star*. He made out the bills against the County and County officials and they were uniformly higher than those presented by the MINER. Compunctions of conscience did not seem to trouble him in those days, for he "robbed the people" with the grace of the most accomplished highwayman. The people didn't know that they were being robbed but he did or he is attempting to deceive them now. Did anyone ever hear of his offering to make restitution for the "robberies" he committed while in charge of the *Star's* business?

IF there is anything in signs the outlook for the hemlock trade ought to be good next season. While prices may not advance much, and possibly not at all, the demand ought to be all that is necessary to keep the mills busy. One thing that augurs well is the building boom that has struck Buffalo. That city is entering one of the most remarkable periods of growth that has ever overtaken any place in the east, and the growth is so largely one of factories and mills that houses and stores are bound to follow in wonderful number. All of that means dimension stuff, and most of it hemlock. Building activity also promises to be renewed in the east with the opening of spring, and Pittsburg is mighty hopeful viewed from the standpoint of the lumberman. There is little doubt but what they will meet all of the demands, for the snow that has already fallen has seen a good lot of logs go to the mill.—*Era.*

THE Pittsburg *Times* has started a scheme which will add greatly to the popularity of that grand paper, and at the same time confer a great honor upon a most worthy class of people. It proposes to furnish a special vestibule train of five Pullman sleepers on which fifty of the most popular school teachers of Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio, Maryland and West Virginia will be taken to the World's Fair at Chicago next summer, kept in [illegible] at a first-class hotel for ten days, and brought back to Pittsburg, [illegible] cent of expense to the teachers. The popularity of the teachers is [illegible] through ballots, one of which is being printed every day in [illegible] of the *Times*. If a person [illegible] vote for a teacher they can [illegible] the ballot, write the name and [illegible] the teacher on it and forward it to the educational editor of the *Times*. The fifty teachers getting the highest vote will take in the free [illegible] in all probability make [illegible] will be [illegible] in that crowd.



MATTHEW S. QUAY.

Senator M. S. Quay received 165 votes for United States Senator in the joint Republican caucus held in the hall of the House, at Harrisburg, on Tuesday of this week. One vote was cast for John Dalzell, of Allegheny, by Representative D. F. Moore, of Chester, who, although instructed by his constituents to vote for Senator Quay, was the only Republican who refused to go into caucus and who voted contrary to its decision. Mr. Moore will probably not represent Chester county in the next Legislature. Senator Quay received every Republican vote in the joint session of the Legislature on Wednesday and was declared the Senator elect for six years to come. This simply carries out the expressed wishes of the Republican party at the polls through the State last summer.

DEATH OF EX PRESIDENT HAYES.

Ex President Rutherford B. Hayes died at his home in Fremont, Ohio, on Tuesday evening of this week at 11 o'clock, of heart disease, aged 70 years.

The veterans who saw the old soldier in the Grand Army parade in Washington in September last, marching at the head of the Department of Ohio from the Capitol to the White House, would hardly realize that he would have been called to his last account so soon. He declined to ride a horse and no man's step in the parade was more elastic, and no man's form more erect than his. Gen. Hayes was was not a great man, but no more upright or conscientious President ever filled that office. He was a practicing attorney at Fremont when the war broke out in 1861. He abandoned his profession and entered the army as Major of the 23d Ohio volunteers. For his gallant services at the battle of Winchester he was brevetted Major General.

His war record made him very popular in Ohio and while still in the army he was elected to Congress from the second district but refused to take his seat until the war should be ended. He was re-elected in 1866 and had served one term when he was elected Governor of Ohio. He was elected for the third term in 1875 and while occupying this place was nominated by the Republican party, in 1876 as its candidate for President of the United States. After serving one term he retired from public life, and has since lived at Fremont.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

What it has Done and What it Will Do.

Ex-Senator John J. Ingalls of Kansas, recently wrote to the N. Y. *Press* his opinion of the Republican party, what it has accomplished and what is left for it to do. Following is what he said and it is worth reading:

Our history has moved from the beginning in an orbit defined by the antagonism between the ideas of government represented under different names by the Republican and Democratic parties of this generation. They may be described as the centripetal and centrifugal forces of our political system and their activity will continue to the end.

For more than thirty years the Republican party has been practically supreme, the Senate having been under its control during the Cleveland hiatus. In this interval it established the sovereignty of the nation and the supremacy of the constitution made the States indestructible, the Union indissoluble, abolished slavery and enfranchised the freedmen, invented national banks, a uniform currency and maintained a fiscal system of unprecedented strength, safety and flexibility, built up an American policy based upon the protection of American labor and the development of American manufactures, American commerce, American agriculture and American mining, accompanied by reciprocal alliances with friendly powers, suppressed polygamy and organized the Empire of the West by railroad and land laws that have given free homes to millions upon the public domain.

No party organization in this country or any other ever exerted such prodigious and beneficent influence upon the institutions of government in so brief a period.

It stands pledged in the future to the preservation of these results, to the maintenance of public faith, credit and honor at home and abroad, to purity and honesty of elections, to the universal diffusion of education, to the defense of all men in the full enjoyment of all the prerogatives of citizenship, to the rejection of pauper and criminal immigration, to the restraint of the aggressions of capital and corporations, to the elevation of labor, to the continental unity of the American Republic, to the industrial independence of the American people.

Representative self government is an experiment, and civilization has great problems yet to meet, but the resolute and indomitable genius of our race will reject the feeble reveries of social ism with disdain. The prophets of this school are like parrots repeating phrases that are obsolete. Fiat money, single tax, State ownership of railroads and the nationalization of our resources in their final analysis mean repudiation of all debts, public and private, and the forcible redistribution of property. This is the panacea prescribed by those who having had an equal chance in the race of life have failed, and assert that because they have shown their inability to take care of their own affairs, they are, therefore, capable of managing the affairs of everybody else. To hold everything in common is the favorite dream of those who have nothing of their own.

To take from those who have to give to those who have not, and to reduce all conditions, faculties and fortunes to one level of mediocrity and penury is the Utopia promised by paternalism. The nineteenth century provides asylums for such vertigoes.

The Little Ones

Should be carefully considered, especially when they contract coughs and colds. Croup is the demon of childhood, as many a fond mother knows. Do not allow a cough or cold to run on. Whether young or old it may be the forerunner of an untimely death. We can confidently recommend all readers to use Pan-Tina, the celebrated remedy for coughs, colds and consumption, cost 25 and 50 cents. Trial bottles of Pan-Tina free at Frank Foster's Drug Store.

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From our own correspondent.

HARRISBURG, January 16th, 1893.—Pennsylvania retains her proud position, as leader, in the column of Republican States and last week she gave practical illustration of her stalwartism. While other States have wavered in their adherence to Republican principles and have made it possible for our enemies to gain a victory, Pennsylvania, true to her past record almost alone in her position, assembles her electors and gives the vote of the Keystone State to the cause of protection.

The electors chosen last November met in the Senate Chamber, at Harrisburg and organized by the election of the Hon. H. F. Jones of Pittsburg, as the president of the college and after the organization was completed, proceeded to cast Pennsylvania's vote for Harrison and Reid, the second time in the history of the Republican party, for the past 32 years that the electoral vote of the State has been cast for the minority candidate. Governor Pattison assisted Chairman Jones to preside over the deliberations of the college.

The usual organization of the college, so far as the officers went was gone through with and when the warrants for the pay of the same were presented to the Auditor General for payment, that official proceeded to go through the officers, and refused to honor the warrants, urging in justification of his refusal, that there was no warrant of law for such expenditure of the public monies. This decision was because of an opinion given by the Attorney General of the State on the inquiry of the Auditor General who had unearthed the law of 1837 and which it has been discovered is the only authority for paying out any money for the expenses of the electoral college, and which fixes the compensation of this body of officials at $3 per day, mileage to and from their homes and with an allowance of $30 for contingent expenses. This decision was of course a great disappointment to the gentlemen who made the officials of the college, outside of the electors, so for the future the nice fat places (nine are positions) on the electoral college staff are things of the past. The custom for the past forty years has been disregarded and the law of 1836 having been revived, will in the future govern all expenditures of State monies by the electoral college. Auditor General Gregg says that he will not pay out any money that is not clearly authorized by law and that the salaries of the officials of the college not being so authorized, he will not pay. There is some growling at this decision, but as the Auditor General holds the key to the situation, so long as he remains in office there will be no more scramble for subordinate places on the electoral commission.

The college before adjournment telegraphed congratulations to President Harrison and Vice President Reid on the action of the college of Pennsylvania and also sent a telegram of condolence to ex Secretary of the State Blaine who is lying dangerously ill in Washington.

The Legislature reconvened on Thursday, January 12th, and proceeded to make nominations for United States Senator. Senator Quay, George W. Childs, Philadelphia, Hon. John Dalzell, Pittsburgh and Congressman Jack Robinson of Delaware county, were placed in nomination by the Republicans and Hon. George Ross of Bucks was named as the candidate to hold up the minority side.

The Senate quickly got through with it's business and provided for adjournment until January 17th by a concurrent resolution which was sent to the House. Before adjournment, however, the following nominations of McKean county officials made by the Governor during the Legislative recess were confirmed. Trustee of the State Hospital for the Insane at Warren, Warren county R. B. Stone Bradford city McKean county and the following Notaries Public:

W. E. Tait	Bradford	Dec. [illegible]
W. W. Brown	Bradford	Dec. [illegible]
John A. Mell	Hamlin twp.	Feb. [illegible]
Thomas L. Kane	Kane	Mar. [illegible]
Geo. A. Berry	Bradford	Jan. 13, 1893
Lester H. Simon	Bradford	[illegible]

In the House the Andrews case was the cause of a lively debate which was precipitated by a motion to correct the House Journal of January 3d which did not recognize Mr. Higby's election as indicated on the face of the election returns from Crawford county and which had been sent in from the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and read at the organization of the House on the day in question. The makeup of the roll of the House showed Mr. Andrews as one of the members elect. Mr. Ben Hew it was the champion for honest proceeding, as he said, and presented a long preamble and a short resolution which he desired passed. After some argument the preamble and resolution were rejected, as out or order, and the resolution as follows, was adopted, after an attempt had been made "to lay it on the table."

"That the Journal of the House be corrected by entering thereon the certificate of election of the Hon. W. P. Higby and his name on the roll of members in pursuance of the same as required by law, and that the name of W. H. Andrews will be expunged therefrom.

It was very broadly hinted in the course of the debates that marked this action of the House, that the Journal of January 3d was made up in obedience to orders, and also perhaps General Reeder, chairman of the State Republican Committee and Secretary Frank Willing Leech may have had a hand in it. However, there was one thing developed in the discussion and that was that Mr. Andrews did not have the entire membership of his party to sympathize with him, in other words the above resolution was put to a vote "to lay on the table" there were some fifty odd Republicans who voted with the Democrats against the motion to table the resolution. The McKean county delegation voted in the minority. The resolution was finally passed but stripped of the lengthy preambles. Mr. Wherry of Cumberland county then presented a notice of contest by Mr. Higby of the seat that the Crawford county court has given to Mr. Andrews.

It is expected that the Speaker will announce his committees immediately after the election of the United States Senator on Tuesday next. The election committee will at once take up the Andrews-Higby case and push it to final disposition at as early a date as possible.

The opposition to Senator Quay has not gained any strength and among the predictions for the proceedings of the House on Tuesday next, is the election of Mathew Stanley Quay as his own successor.

ALLCROFT.

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Democratic organs that have assisted in the attack on the pension system will not enjoy reading the extra published elsewhere in our Washington dispatches from a letter of Commissioner Raum, in which he shows that distinguished persons who occupy important positions under the federal government and who served in the Mexican war and also in the Confederate army draw pensions without objection. And yet the old soldiers who marched and fought under Grant and Sherman, Sheridan and Thomas and Hooker are held up to public scorn as men who seek to loot the public Treasury.

Including the survivors and widows of the regular army and navy and of the Indian wars there are probably 50,000 persons now on the pension list who had nothing to do with the great war for the preservation of the Union. Some of them fought to destroy the Union, but no cry is raised against their drawing a pension. On the contrary the fight is made on the Union soldier and his widow and orphans.

One Democratic newspaper for example has recently raised a senseless cry that at sometime in the future there would be more pensioners on the pension rolls than "soldiers present for duty in all the armies of the Union at any time between the first shot on Sumpter and the surrender of General Lee to General Grant."

The *Press* has already exposed the falacy of this statement which makes no allowance for the widows and dependents who numbered 158,872 on June 30, 1892. According to Commissioner Raum the percentage of widows and orphans will probably vary from 20 to 25 per cent. of the entire pension list.

Just what the alleged discovery that the pension list exceeds in number the total number of soldiers in active service at any one time has to do with the question *The Press* does not pretend to know. The war was fought for four years. In that time a never ceasing supply of new men thronged to the front to take the places of those who fell. The history of any of our New York regiments bears eloquent evidence of this fact.

But it is not facts the critics of the pension list desire. They are simply voicing the Democratic hatred of those who fought for the Union. The total number of individuals in the Union service, excluding re enlistments and deserters, was 2,213,365. That number took part in putting down secession. How many were in active service, how many absent in the hospital or detailed or excused at certain periods are matters of minor importance. Suppose the pension list should reach 1,000,000 persons, including the widows and dependents. Is that any reason why the United States should repudiate its solemn obligations to the Union veteran and his dependents? Even should the list, including widows and dependents, reach 1,200,000, the annual cost for a short time would not greatly exceed $160,000,000, and then the amount would decrease rapidly and the old soldier would cease to be a target for Democratic abuse.

The talk of an impoverished treasury is absurd. The Treasury of the United States is not impoverished. The number of men, women and children on the pension list and to be put on it is not large in proportion to the number of those who lost and risked their lives for the Union nor is the pension expenditure large in proportion to the national wealth. The instances of fraudulent claims are not numerous for reasons set forth by Commissioner Raum.

These are not the real reasons for the attacks on the pension system. Back of these attacks is the fact that those who fought against the Union are soon to be at the helm of government. That the leaders of the Democratic party should oppose pensions to Union soldiers is not unnatural. That Democratic organs in the East should try to obscure the real sentiment by raising a false cry about the size of the pension list, by abusing the character and belittling the services of the veterans and by sensational talk of an impoverished treasury is also not unnatural but such a course can only arouse the indignation of those who place a high value on patriotism, devotion to the Union and courage and fidelity in the performance of a soldier's duty.—*N. Y. Press.*

A CHATTANOOGA SCHEME.

The Chattanooga *Times* scheme is to strike from the pension rolls every man who is rich, even well to-do, or who draws a salary from the State or National Governments, also all who have a fixed income or earn their living by employment by any corporation or private individual. This would make the pension roll a roll of honor indeed. It would rather make it a pauper roll of the worst kind. No man who could or would earn a dollar by his own exertions would be allowed a place upon it. This would be infamously unjust. A pension is payment for services rendered and disabilities incurred by that service. The government has absolutely no business whatever with the present circumstances of the pensioner. It pays him a debt or rather pays an insignificant portion of the debt it incurred for his services rendered and injuries received. What he may receive from other sources has nothing whatever to do with the case. To talk about taking away a pension because the pensioner is making a little money outside of his pension is as mean and dishonest as it would be for any private debtor to refuse to pay his debts because he believed his creditor did not need the money and could make a living without it.

As a matter of fact there are comparatively few pensioners who are at all rich. There are few who are even well to-do. The talk about the great number of these is all fudge. The vast majority of pensioners are men who were so injured by their service that they are unable to compete in the wage market with men who did not endure the hardships and brave the perils that they did. Their little pensions go a little way to equalize matters, but are far from going the whole way. Too many of them are so disabled that they can only get employment as watchmen, messengers, and similar duty, which is very poorly paid and their pensions are necessary to enable them to eke out a decent living. To take the pensions away from these would be intolerable meanness and cruelty. There is no sort of justification for taking any man's pension away who has earned it.—*National Tribune.*

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POLLY AND THE DOGS.

Polly was a gray bird,—and a remarkably clever talker. The son of his owner was an enthusiastic sportsman, owning a kennel of some dozen or more setters and pointers, and paid close attention to the teaching of his dogs and the gray-headed parrot. The bird could imitate his voice so closely as to deceive members of the household, and from him the bird it had learned many snatches of songs, the call of game birds and all unknown to him it had caught the shrill of his dog whistle and certain orders he gave to his dogs.

When the sportsman was at home Polly kept all knowledge of the dog whistle and dog language discreetly dark, and my friend has told me that he never heard either except on certain occasions when he made a show of going to his office and slyly concealed himself about the premises.

When he was away and the canines were left at home there was rare fun. The kennel yard was enclosed by a moderately high fence which the dogs could leap over if urged if they chanced to be lying unchained within, which they frequently were as they were trained to stay at home.

On such occasions, Polly from her stand on the front veranda would suddenly sound his whistle, "Ahem sw ee-ahem! Hi! boys, hi! hi! hi!" Over the fence would come an avalanche of handsome excited dogs rushing with glad yelps around the house to the front door eager for a swim in the river or a race across country. A dozen or more would cluster about the steps whimpering in their excitement and eyeing the front door for the first glimpse of their beloved owner. Suddenly the voice they knew so well would shout in angry tones, "Down! down! down! Bob, you rascal!" and the pair would slink down while the rest hesitated and faltered with drooping ears and tail and saddened eyes. Then would come a short fierce command. A-a-h, you rascals! kennel up you brutes!" and a swift line of discomfited dogs would glide round the house and a line of of silken tails wave an instant above the kennel fence as the disappointed animals sought their quarters. Then Polly would laugh and chuckle for an hour and he knew enough not to repeat the performance that day.—*From "The Tales of two Parrots," in Demorest's Family Magazine for February.*

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Summons in Partition.

McKEAN COUNTY ss.

No. 113 February Term, 1893.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said County, Greeting:

If G. W. Campbell, E. W. Campbell and J. W. Campbell, partners doing business as G. W. Campbell & Sons, make you secure of prosecuting their claim, then we command you that you summon by good and lawful summoners, A. Healey, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, partners doing business as A. Healey & Sons, and also Lansing D. Wetmore, J. L. Grandin, E. B. Grandin, W. T. Hebelle, J. M. Clapp, Pennsylvania Gas Company and Henry Hamlin [illegible] Mineral Oil and Gas interests in the lands hereinafter mentioned, late of your County [illegible] they be and appear before our Judges at Smethport at our County Court of Common Pleas there to be held the Fourth Monday of February, next to show wherefore whereas they, the said G. W. Campbell, E. W. Campbell and J. W. Campbell, partners doing business as G. W. Campbell & Sons, and the aforesaid A. Healey, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, partners doing business as A. Healey & Sons, and also Lansing D. Wetmore, J. L. Grandin, E. B. Grandin, W. T. Hebelle, J. M. Clapp, Pennsylvania Gas Company and Henry Hamlin, owning Mineral Oil and Gas interests in the lands hereinafter mentioned, together [illegible] held a certain messuage and [illegible] described as [illegible] warrant No. 2571 Wetmore township, McKean County and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Bounded on the north by subdivision No. 144 in Warrant No. 2577 east by subdivision No. 143, in warrant No. 2571 south by subdivision No. 154 in warrant No. 2571 and west by subdivision No. 145, in warrant No. 2571 be the same more or less, and also all [illegible] [illegible] described as subdivision [illegible] in said township of [illegible] county of McKean and Commonwealth [illegible] Bounded on the north by [illegible] No. 2571 east [illegible] in warrant No. 2571, south [illegible] No. 221 in warrant No. 2568 and west by subdivision No. 154, in said warrant No. [illegible] be the same more or less, and also [illegible] No. 18, in warrant No. 2560 Hamilton township said County and Commonwealth. Bounded on the north by subdivision No. 139, in warrant No. 2569, east by subdivision No. 143 warrant No. 2569 [illegible] No. 2568 south by subdivision [illegible] warrant No. 2573, in Wetmore township, and west by subdivision No. 147 in warrant No. 2568, in said Hamilton township be the same more or less, the same A. Healey, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, partners doing business as A. Healey & Sons, and also Lansing D. Wetmore, J. L. Grandin, E. B. Grandin, W. T. Hebelle, J. M. Clapp, Pennsylvania Gas Company and Henry Hamlin owning Mineral, Oil and Gas [illegible] partition thereof between [illegible] to be made according to the laws and the customs of this commonwealth in such case made and provided do gainsay and the same [illegible] not permit very unjustly and [illegible] against the same laws and customs as it is [illegible] And have you then and there the names of those summoners and this writ.

Witness the Honorable A. G. Olmsted, President Judge of our said Court at Smethport, this 3d day of January A. D. 1893.

SEAL.

J. M. McELROY,
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Foreclosure Sale

SUPREME COURT—Allegany County.
The Metropolitan Trust Company of the City of New York, Plaintiff,
Against
The Bradford, Eldred and Cuba Railroad Company, James D. Fish as Trustee, Frank Townsend, Horace J. Thompson, Addie F. France as Administratrix, etc., of James W. France, deceased, Augustus Steele, E. C. Vine, Walter S. Johnson as Receiver, etc., Defendants.

Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale rendered herein on the 3d day of July, 1892, and entered in the Allegany County Clerk's office on the 6th day of August, 1892, and also pursuant to a decree ancillary thereto rendered in the Court of Common Pleas, in the County of McKean, State of Pennsylvania, on the 6th day of September 1892, and entered on that day in the office of the Prothonotary of said county, the undersigned David F. Richardson, the Referee duly appointed for such purpose by said judgments, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder on the

15TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 1892,

at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the court house in the village of Belmont, county of Allegany and state of New York, the real and personal estate, property and franchise directed by said judgments to be sold and therein described as follows:

All the railroad of the Bradford, Eldred and Cuba Railroad Company beginning at the village of Cuba in the town of Cuba through the towns of Clarksville, Wirt, Bolivar and Genesee in the county of Allegany, to a point in the southerly boundary of the county of Allegany on the state line between the States of New York and Pennsylvania—as well as that part of said railroad now constructed as the part thereof which may hereafter be constructed, and all rights of way of said Company, and all its singular the right of way of said Company, and the lands, real estate, rails, tracks, bridges, ware houses, depots, station houses, shops, warehouses, structures, erections, fixtures and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, whether now owned and possessed or hereafter to be acquired by the said Bradford, Eldred & Cuba Railroad Company. And also all the locomotives, engines, tenders, cars, and other rolling stock, tools and machinery, and all the franchises, rights, privileges, [illegible] of the said Company, real and personal, and all other corporate property, real and personal of the Bradford, Eldred & Cuba Railroad Company including the leasehold estate thereto acquired in the Wellsville, Bolivar & Eldred Railroad Company and the Bradford, Eldred & Cuba Railroad Company of the state of Pennsylvania, whether heretofore acquired or now held and owned or hereafter to be acquired by the Bradford, Eldred & Cuba Railroad Company, and all the tolls, income, issues and profits of the Bradford, Eldred & Cuba Railroad Company, and all its rights, privileges, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, as well in law as in equity, of the said Bradford, Eldred & Cuba Railroad Company of, in and to the same, and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances.

Dated, Angelica, N. Y., Sep. 26, 1892.
DAVID F. RICHARDSON, Referee.
THOS. G. HILLHOUSE, Plff's Att'y,
No. 27 Wall St., New York.

The above sale is hereby adjourned to Wednesday, November 16, 1892, at the same place and hour.

Dated Angelica, Allegany county, N. Y., Nov. 15, 1892. DAVID F. RICHARDSON, Referee. THOS. G. HILLHOUSE, Plff's Att'y, No. 27 Wall St., New York.

The above sale is hereby adjourned to Wednesday, Dec. 14th, 1892, at the same place and hour.

Dated, Angelica, Allegany county, N. Y., Dec. 14, 1892. DAVID F. RICHARDSON, Referee. THOS. G. HILLHOUSE, Plff's Att'y, No. 27 Wall St., New York.

The above sale is hereby adjourned to Wednesday, January 25, 1893, at the same place and hour.

Dated Angelica, Allegany county, N. Y., Dec. 28, 1892. DAVID F. RICHARDSON, Referee. THOS. G. HILLHOUSE, Plff's Att'y, No. 27 Wall St., New York.

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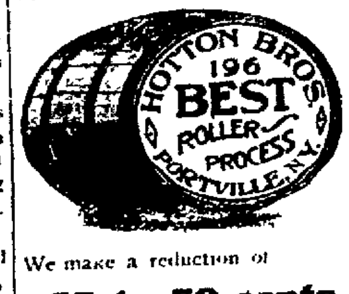

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Which they propose to sell at manufacturers' prices. Call and examine our stock and prices. It will save you a waste of time to look elsewhere for goods we sell. We are sole agents for the [illegible] west of [illegible] York for quality.

GLEASON & LEMMLER.

FOR THIS NEW YEAR.

Those who want the best things, and who want to choose from the most things, will go, as they always have to Emery & Weaver's.

They'll find their Harness there;
They'll choose from 50 Horse Blankets;
They'll find the best in Hardware;
They'll see the best in Tinware;
They'll go for Paints and Tools;
For all that's best in Mill Supplies;
For all that Builder's need.

4/5 Four-fifths of all the things that people need are in this stock, and 'tis the largest, best assorted stock within your reach to choose from. All grades and prices, all kinds and styles, and prices are the lowest, for 'tis well known that those who buy the most buy cheapest.

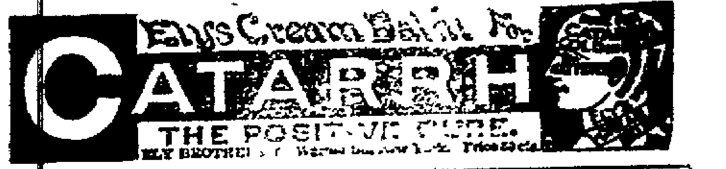
They'll find 500 things for Housekeepers,
They'll learn the best Cooking Utensils,
They'll see what's new in Stoves,
They'll go for cheap Glassware,
They'll go for good Crockery.
They'll find Silverware that lasts,
And they'll go for Clocks and Watches
For Jewelry and House Decorations

They'll go for almost all they need and find a stock that is marvelously complete—that has the best that is known.

FOR THIS NEW YEAR.

L. EMERY, JR., & CO.,

Emery & Weaver, BRADFORD, PA.



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THE POSITIVE CURE.
ELY BROTHERS, [illegible] Warren St., New York. Price 50 cts.

NEW FURNITURE

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We have a large stock of the latest designs in furniture and we are able to offer some very attractive bargains. If you want a single piece of furniture or an outfit for your home it will pay you to see our stock.

DON'T FAIL TO CALL

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Undertaking in all its branches a specialty.

Corner of Main and Union Streets. SMETHPORT,

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Easles,
Picture Frames,
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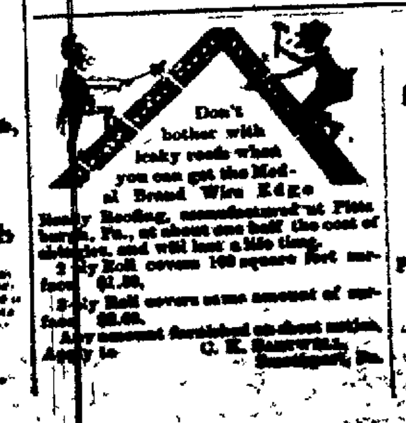

Don't bother with leaky roofs when you can get the Metal Brand Wire Edge Ready Roofing, manufactured at Pittsburg, Pa., at about one half the cost of shingles, and will last a life time. 2 Ply Roll covers 100 square feet surface, $1.80. 3 Ply Roll covers same amount of surface, $2.60. Any amount furnished on short notice. Apply to C. K. [illegible], Smethport, Pa.

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Patent Medicines,
Stationery,
Fancy Goods
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES.

Prescriptions promptly filled.

H. O. WELLS, Smethport, Pa.

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Smethport, Pa., January 20, 1893.

We will send the MINER and any paper or magazine mentioned below for one year, to any address, as follows:

The MINER and New York *Tribune* for $1.25.

The MINER and Philadelphia Weekly Press $1.50.

The MINER and Albany Weekly Journal $1.50.

The MINER and Pittsburg *Chronicle* $1.50.

The MINER and *Judge Library of Fun*, monthly for $1.60.

The MINER and Harrisburg Weekly *Patriot* for $1.75.

The MINER and New York *World* for $1.90.

The MINER and *Cosmopolitan Magazine* for $3.00.

The MINER and *American Economist* for $2.00.

The MINER and *Demorest Family Magazine* for $3.10.

The MINER and *National Tribune*, for $2.00.

The MINER and *Scribner's Magazine* for 3.40.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the name of W. F. Renkwith as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

The name of P. D. Ostrander is hereby announced as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

J. M. Sowers announces himself as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

We are authorized to announce John C. Edwards, as candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the usages of the Republican party.

M. M. Sanders, of Cole Creek, announces himself as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the Republican caucus.

John Hewitt is hereby announced as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the usages of the Republican party.

Editor MINER—Please announce me as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the usages of the Republican party.—W. F. HYDE.

We are authorized to announce A. T. Stranahan as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican party.

EDITOR MINER—Please announce through the columns of your paper that I am a candidate for supervisor of Corydon township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.
Corydon, Jan. 9, 1893. P. J. BOYLES.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUSES.

The Republican electors of the 1st precinct of Keating township will meet at the regular place for holding elections on Saturday, Jany. 28th, for the purpose of nominating candidates to be voted for on the 21st day of February next. The polls will remain open from 4 o'clock to 9 o'clock p. m.
GEO. W. KING, Committeeman.

The Republican electors of the 2d precinct of Keating township will meet at the regular place for holding elections on Saturday, Jany. 28th, for the purpose of nominating candidates to be voted for on the 21st day of February next. The polls will remain open from 4 o'clock to 9 o'clock p. m.
HENRY SANDERS, Committeeman.

The Republican electors of the 3d precinct of Keating township will meet at the regular place for holding elections on Saturday, Jany. 28th, for the purpose of nominating candidates to be voted for on the 21st day of February next. The polls will remain open from 4 o'clock to 9 o'clock p. m.
GEO. HANCOCK, Committeeman.

Little grains of powder
Just the size of sand,
Make the mighty heavens
Irrigate the land.
Judge.

—Court week.

—Lumbermen are hustling.

—See the "Merry Cobbler," to-night.

—Who wants to be the next Mayor of Smethport?

—Court for the trial of civil causes, convened on Monday.

—Hear "Fatherlands" sweet singer at the opera house, to-night.

—Ice 14 inches in thickness and clear as a crystal was taken from the pond last week.

—The "Merry Cobbler," at the opera house this Friday evening, will be worth seeing.

—The best thing a young man can do with his best girl this winter, is to drive her out.

—Miss Matie Brennan will conduct a "Bible Reading" at the Epworth League on Sunday evening, at 6:30.

—Owing the extreme cold weather of Monday morning last, it was found necessary to dismiss school in this borough.

—The hotel at Foster Brook Park was destroyed by fire on Monday afternoon. It was occupied by Martin Wilson and family.

—The *Effort*, an afternoon daily published at Warren, Pa., after an existence of but one month, suspended publication last Friday.

—It is said four hundred acres of land have been purchased in Buffalo on which to erect a million dollar plant for the manufacture of Gatling guns.

—A dancing class has been organized in Smethport by Mr. Roscoe, of the Du Bois orchestra. Mr. Roscoe, it is said, stands at the head as an instructor.

—The supper served by the Ladies Aid Society, of the M. E. Church, at the residence of Mrs. Kate Kidder, on Tuesday evening was a very successful one in all respects.

—Rev. G. W. Halliwell of the Baptist church of this place will preach at Cole grove, in the Union church, on Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Subject, "The Duty of Gratitude"

—For the benefit of our democratic readers, the MINER and the New York *World*, or the MINER and Harrisburg *Patriot* will be furnished at greatly reduced rates.

—There are ninety-seven applicants for license at the coming court in Elk county, of which 19 are from the borough of Ridgway and 15 from the borough of of Johnsonburg.

—When voting on the question of bonding the borough for the purpose of building a trunk sewer, remember, that as a sanitary measure, the sewer is an absolute necessity.

—Washington's Birthday, February 22d, is the next legal holiday, but Mr. Candlemas Day, or ground hog day, February 2d, is the day looked forward to with the most anxiety, just at present.

—The mammoth elephant *Zip* died a Baraboo, Wis., recently. An autopsy was held, and there was found in his stomach an iron chain four feet long, weighing 90 pounds. No wonder he had stomach ache.

—The MINER and the New York *Tribune*, both papers for $1.25 per year, is the most liberal offer ever made by any paper in this section. New names are being added to our list every day. Try it for a year.

—"It has been decided that Ridgway is to have a new Episcopal church," says the *Democrat*. "Steps are being taken to decide upon plans. The structure will be worthy of the beautiful site on which it will stand.

—Rev. G. W. Halliwell, P. D. Hopkins and wife and Mrs. Joseph Smith left Wednesday for Hinsdale, N. Y., to sit in council and consider the propriety of ordaining Mr. Jeffery, late of the Baptist church of this place.

—[illegible] at Ridgway, Elk county, with Matt Reilly as manager.

—The members of Smethport Lodge No. 389, I. O. O. F., will visit Tuna Lodge, of Bradford, on Tuesday evening, January 31st. A grand time may be expected as Bradford people are proverbial for the hospitality shown visitors.

—Col. R. H. Thomas, Secy. of the Pennsylvania Editorial Association, announces that the annual meeting of the Association will be held in the parlors of the Lochiel Hotel, Harrisburg, at 10:30 o'clock, on Thursday of next week.

—The courts having issued an order closing the Bradford, Eldred & Cuba R. R., traffic was abandoned on Saturday last. As will be seen by notice in another column, the road will be sold under foreclosure Jan. 25th, at Belmont, N. Y.

—Pick out the very best men for borough and township officers. It is much easier to elect such men, than one that has no special fitness. The men who would look after the interests of the town as their own are the men to elect.

—The Bradford *Era* of Tuesday last says: "To-day will close the loop of the B. R. & P. road around the Big Shanty hill and the Kinzua Viaduct and the end of the week will in all probability see trains running over the new road.

—In the selection of Hon. Henry Hamlin as President, the Port Allegany National Bank has secured for its head one of the ablest financiers in this part of the country. Mr. E. R. Dalley, another shrewd business man, was chosen as Vice President.

—The fistic encounter mentioned last week, is, we understand, booked for to-morrow night, at Farmers Valley. It will be a glove contest and the proceeds will be used as a nucleus for an athletic club, so it is said.

—The subject of discussion at the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be, "Man's Responsibility;" in the evening "A King's Advice." Sunday school at 11:30 a. m. and pastors bible class at the same hour. Young peoples prayer meeting at 6:30 p. m. All are invited.

—A bill will be presented to the Pennsylvania legislature this winter asking that there be six examiners appointed by the governor, and that all persons wishing to enter upon the practice of medicine in this state after January, 1894, will have to be examined by this board.

—The Machias *Star* says the buildings of the various ice companies at Lime Lake are estimated to hold one hundred and fifty thousand tons. It takes about one acre of twelve inch ice to the thousand tons—one hundred and fifty acres of twelve inch ice to fill the buildings.

—In France, when a funeral passes, every man raises his hat to salute it. The deceased person may have been a child, a pauper, a beggar; it is no matter; the cortege is saluted by every man, whether he be prince, millionaire or mendicant. It is a good and lovely custom.

—The MINER office has ordered the necessary type, material and paper, &c., and will be in first-class shape for printing the official ballots for the coming borough and township elections, at the lowest possible price. Auditors of the various townships should bear this fact in mind.

—Attention is called to the special sale ad. of Mrs. T. D. Nash, in another column. These special sales are coming to be looked forward to by the ladies of Smethport and vicinity as meaning rare bargains, and we therefore advise the many readers of the MINER to make an early call.

—A panel of one hundred fifty nine jurymen has been drawn for the coming February term of Oyer and Terminer court. The court will be continued for two weeks, or until the business is disposed of, and will convene on the 20th inst. The Crossmire and Hancock murder cases are set down for the first week.

—On Sunday night last the mercury in the thermometers got down to the lowest point of the season, 12 degrees below zero. Since the above was in type the record has been beaten. The thermometer registered 16 degrees below on Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock, and, of course no school session was held that morning.

—However well equipped a young man may be starting out in life his outfit is not complete unless it includes sobriety. The world wants men who are reliable. The young fellow who starts out to drink starts out to court failure. This is coming to be more and more recognized in business every day.

—A movement is on foot in Warren to punish to the utmost those who give or sell liquor to men who have been treated for drunkenness, thus tempting them to fall again. The man who would tempt a reformed drunkard is certainly just above a gorilla in moral principle.—*Olean Times.* A gorilla is a gentleman by the side of him.

—On Sunday evening next Rev. E. E. Helms will begin his series of evening discourses on "Paradoxical Mathematics; or Strange Problems in Arithmetic." Jan 22, "To be Proved—An Inch Equal to a Mile." Jan. 29, "Short Beds for Long People." Feb. 5, "Dwarf-Giants." Feb. 12, "Narrow Gauge vs. Broad Gauge." Feb. 19, "Unbalanced Scales."

—Usually when a newspaper man gets hard up for an argument he begins to brag about having a circulation two or three times greater than that of any other paper in the county. We have an example of that kind right here in Smethport.—*Democrat.* And when the question of giving publicity to important matter is under discussion, a large circulation is a very strong argument too. But the statement as to the circulation of the MINER is no brag. We stand ready to substantiate our claims.

—The Columbia series of stamps have been on sale at the Smethport office for some days. It was through the courtesy of Postmasters Johnson, of Bradford, and Page, of Olean, that Postmaster Kerns was enabled to place them on sale at the same time as in the large city offices, those gentlemen kindly supplying him from their stock. The stamps are about the same height and twice the length of those recently in use and are a genuine work of art, but it requires a good deal of lickum to use 'em.

—Statistics show that early rising tends to shorten life. The old saying however that has survived so many years—"early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise"—is not destined to die but shall continue to flourish immortally. The antique notion that early rising, regardless of the time of retiring, is conducive to health, has been buried along with other customs and aphorisms of our forefathers. The lazy fellow who retires at midnight and sleeps until noon or until Nature awakens him, is storing up vitality that will see him through a century of natural life.

[illegible] and the farmers are beginning to realize the importance of this question. The condition of country roads is an index of the civilization and prosperity of the community, says an eminent man. It is not difficult to show that money expended in constructing good roads is economy from a financial standpoint.

—The following from the *Democrat* contains much truth: "We notice that some of our business men adhere to the practice of sending out of town for their job printing, when there are two printing offices in Smethport, both of which are capable of doing just as good work and at prices just as low as can be obtained elsewhere. As our home merchants expect and do receive many favors from the newspapers of this borough the least these business men could do would be to give their job printing to the Smethport printers, and thus aid in building up important home enterprises."

—Our county exchanges and innumerable correspondents are having a great deal to say on the County Superintendent question, advancing the claims of their favorites. As to the fitness of Mr. Passmore or Mr. Cooper we have nothing to say, but whatever may be said in favor of these gentlemen, can with equal justice be said of Prof. Eckels. In conversation with a prominent school teacher of the county, he said, "Prof. Eckles has displayed rare qualifications for the position, and if the question was submitted to a vote of the teachers, Mr. Eckles would be elected, as I think he will be by the directors."

—The funeral of the late G. M. Smith, Esq., was held on Saturday morning last at 10 o'clock, and was one of the largest ever held in this place. It was under the supervision of the Masonic fraternity, which order was largely represented, among the number being a uniformed delegation from Bradford Commandery, of which the deceased was an honored member. The floral tributes were many and elegant, attesting the esteem in which the deceased was held by those who knew him best. The services at the M. E. Church, conducted by E. E. Helms, were very impressive. The remains were interred in Rose Hill cemetery, whither they were accompanied by a large concourse of mourning friends.

—Judson Byers, of Bradford, aged 18 years, was instantly killed on Saturday afternoon last, at a point on the B. R. & P. R. R. extension, between Mt. Alton and Mt. Jewett. He was engaged in thawing out dynamite when the deadly compound exploded with a loud report. His fellowworkmen hurried to the spot and were horrified at the spectacle that met their view. The young man's body was terribly mutilated, his legs were blown off at the knees, the left hand shattered and his face badly burned and disfigured. Byers had only been in the employ of the company one week and had been warned of the danger of the deadly stuff, which was used in blasting rocks. He was a sober industrious young man and leaves many friends.

—In Livingston county, N. Y., the newspapers have agreed to stop all papers going to subscribers who have allowed their subscriptions to run over one year without pay. This will cut down the number of papers printed in that county. It is reported the two Geneseo papers cut off about 400 each. All the newspaper publishers in that county are in the combine and agree to furnish a list of all subscribers cut off under this rule to each member of the association. All agree not to accept as a subscriber any one who has been cut off by this agreement. For instance A. B. is cut off the list of the Geneseo *Democrat* under this rule and if he offers $1.50 to the Geneseo *Republican* for the year 1893, his money and his name would be rejected with scorn by the latter paper.—*Olean Times.* Why should not this principle be adopted in McKean County?

—Intelligence was received here Monday of the death of Ransom Larrabee, at Warren, whither he had been taken about three weeks before. Mr. Larrabee had been a sufferer for many months from softening of the brain and for some time previous to his being taken there, had been an inmate of the County Alms house of this place. Mr. Larrabee was one of the oldest native born citizens of McKean county having been born in Eldred township March 28th, 1823, where his entire life had been spent, and where he had been more or less engaged in farming, lumbering, and hotel keeping. He was a Democrat in politics and for twenty years held the position of Postmaster at Larrabee. His wife was a daughter of Robert Barton, a pioneer of Eldred township the result of the union being a son who died at the age of 23 and a daughter Anna Vernett, the wife of Erven Carpenter.

Committeemen Appointed.

Frank Adams, the member of the Republican Co. Committee for the 1st district of Hamilton township has resigned, and Amos Kreege, representing the 1st district of Lafayette township has moved out of the county. Therefore the following named gentlemen have been appointed to fill the vacancies thus created:

Hamilton, 1st dist.—John Gibbs.
Lafayette, " " —Geo. H. Graff.

It is the duty of the Committeemen in the several precincts of the county to announce the date and place of meeting of the caucuses.

L. ROGERS,
Ch'n Rep. Co. Com.

E. A. U. Election.

On Wednesday evening of last week occured the semi-annual election of Smethport Union, No. 525, E. A. U. Following is a list of the officers for the ensuing term.

Chancellor—Mrs. B. L. Knapp.
Advocate—Mrs. Will Gifford.
President—E. L. Keenan.
Vice President—H. L. Burlingame.
Secretary—Mrs. S. M. Vickery.
Accountant—B. L. Knapp.
Treasurer—L. Rogers.
Sentinel—Miss Rose Crumbie.
Watchman—Mrs. Amelia Digel.
Chaplain—Mrs. Rebecca Kerns.
Auxiliary—Mrs. Kate Kidder.
Warden—Miss Vickie Burdick.
Medical Examiner—Dr. John S. Clark.

The Union meets in I. O. O. F. hall, the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month, and is in a very prosperous condition.

The Influential Editor

of the Waynesburg, Pennsylvania, Independent, Mr. W. W. Ewans, states:

I suffered
20 years
distressing
nervous
headache
intense pain
[illegible]
no relief
[illegible]
quit work.

I used
2 bottles
Dr. Miles'
Restorative
Nervine
and am
cured.
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Recommend.

(Sample free our Druggist)

Beef Wanted.

The subscribers are in the market for the purchase of dressed beef by the side or by the quarter at Palmerville near Clermont, Sergeant township.

A. PALMER & SON,
Palmerville, Jany. 17, 1893.

[illegible] E. Wilson was over from Duke Center Monday.

J. R. Goodenough was in town from Rew City, this week.

President Judge A. G. Olmsted was on the bench this week.

Jas. A. Lindsey, of Bradford was about town Monday.

Attorney G. A. Berry and wife, of Bradford, were in town Monday.

Ed McCoy, of Mt Jewett, was visiting Smethport friends the fore part of the week.

John M. Reilly returned Saturday from a four weeks' sojourn at Eldred, feeling "as fine as silk."

J. L. Brown and P. S. and T. L. Ernhout, of Wilcox, were at McKean's county seat Tuesday.

W. F. Crane, and Mr. Bushnell, of New York, were guests of mine host R. F. Wright, Monday.

Hon. J. W. Lee, of Franklin, Pa., was among the prominent attorneys in attendance at court this week.

Mrs. J. E. Breeder, the matron at Dr. Freeman's sanitarium, visited with Mt. Jewett friends last week.

Attorneys P. R. Cotter, of Eldred, and S. W. Smith, of Port Allegany, were in attendance at court this week.

Miss Edith Thomas left Tuesday morning for a two week's visit with her brother, F. S. Thomas, at Coudersport.

Fred R. King, late of Kushequa, now of Rochester, N. Y., was visiting Smethport friends the first of the week.

Capt. W. B. Chapman, a leading attorney of Bradford, was a caller at this office while in town Monday last.

Attorney C. W. Catlin, of Port Allegany, was a caller at the MINER office while in attendance at court this week.

Orra Nourse, the gentlemanly attendant at the Eldred Monroe cure, is taking a much needed rest among Smethport friends.

Rev. A. B. Mercura, rector of St. Eulalia Catholic church at Coudersport, accompanied by John Ryan, were in town Monday.

W. W. White who has for sometime past been engaged in business at Kushequa, is again a resident temporarily of Smethport.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. King entertained the Whist Club on Tuesday evening last. Those who were present report having had a splendid time.

Among Bradford's representative men in town Monday, we notice C. H. Foster, R. T. Lane, Loyal Ward, T. J. Melvin, C. E. Wheeler and J. C. McKenna.

W. M. Shoemaker, a former Smethport boy, now of State Line Mills, is combining pleasure with business, by renewing old acquaintances in town while serving as a juror.

Attorneys R. B. Stone, R. L. Edgett, Eugene Mullin, T. F. Mullin, G. J. Wolf, J. M. McClure and C. E. Judd, of Bradford, had business at the temple of justice this week.

Mrs. Hogarth, of Smethport, will hereafter reside with her son, Leon Hogarth, in this borough. Mrs. Hogarth will be most heartily welcomed by the people in Coudersport.—*Enterprise.*

B. A. Eastman, formerly of this place, now of Mt. Jewett, was serving as a juror this week and Made the MINER office a pleasant call. We are pleased to know that Ben is prospering in his new home.

The Thing Was Friendly.

A New Bedford clergyman sends to the editor of *Our Dumb Animals*, a Boston paper, the following:

"SCRANTON, August 26.—While Cyrus Brundage was standing on a bridge over the Butternut creek a few days ago, a skunk came up behind him and began to rub its sides against his boot legs like a pet cat. Brundage was afraid to stir at first thinking the skunk would become offended if he moved so he stood perfectly still, and hoped the little animal would soon discover its mistake and trot peacefully away. But the skunk continued to rub against him until Brundage made up his mind that he was determined to be friendly, and yet he was in a hurry for it to go away and mind its own business. He had no desire to molest the tame and confiding little creature and when he had watched its familiar capers for four or five minutes he picked up his basket of eggs and started across the bridge with slow an pensive tread.

"The skunk tagged him up a steep pitch on the other side of the creek, ran around him several times and put its paws on his boot legs, but didn't offer to be mean or troublesome. Then Brundage struck into a canter and the skunk commenced to run and quickly caught up with him. Seeing that it was going to be a difficult matter to get rid of the friendly animal by trying to run away from it, Brundage took an egg out of the basket and placed it in the road. The skunk immediately began to suck the egg, and Brundage legged it to the top of the hill.

"Before he had gone far the skunk came over the brink of the hill and overtook him. Brundage began to tire of the persistent skunk's company, but still he had no desire to kick or club the little animal. The skunk continued to beg for food, and Brundage placed four eggs in the road and ran off at the top of his speed. When he glanced around the skunk had finished the last egg and was walking slowly back toward the bridge."

The venerable Dr Beecher, father of Henry Ward, relates that when going across a field one night with an armful of books he was similiarly approched. He hurled several volumes at the animal to drive it off, *but got the worst of it*, which led him to determine through life that whenever attacked in the newspapers or elsewhere by *two legged* animals of the kind he had better make no reply.

Pennsylvania Tours to Florida.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces its series of personally conducted tours to Florida for January 31st, February 14th and 28th, March 14th and 28th. The party will travel by special train of Pullman sleeping and dining cars, and they will go through via the Atlantic Coast Line on fast schedule. The Tourist Agent and Chaperon will conduct each tour in both directions except that passengers on last tour will return independently by regular trains, and all the details will be carried out in that superior style for which these trips have become celebrated.

Excursion tickets, including railway transportation, Pullman accommodations and meals en route in both directions will be sold from all principal stations on the system. They will be good only on special trains, or on regular trains to the nearest point of connection with the special trains, and will only be accepted for the return trip on the regular returning trains of that tour, except for the fifth tour returning, which will be good by regular trains. They will admit of a stay of two weeks in Florida, except in the case of the fifth tour, which has a longer return limit, tickets being good for return passage until May 30th, 1893. For information detailing the tours application should be made to Mr. Geo. W. Boyd, A. G. P. A., Philadelphia.

Civil Court.

The Court opened on Monday at the regular hour, Judges Olmsted and Morrison on the bench.

In the case of Clark Bros. vs. Sheridan Gorton, trustee, J. L. Brown and Henry Bayard & Co., the jury returned a verdict for the Plff.

John Holm vs. T. J. Finerty and Chas. F. England vs T. J. Finnerty. The juries in both cases rendered verdicts in favor of the defendant.

In the case of King Iron Bridge Company vs. the city of Bradford the jury returned a verdict for the defendant. The Bridge Co. sued the city for $600 extra work on a bridge.

O. W. Pierce vs. D. S. Booth, verdict for Plff. in sum of $422.

The case of C. C. and T. J. Melvin vs. Producers Consolidated Land and Petroleum Co., is on trial at this writing.

[illegible] Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

ELDRED.

Josiah Sam Smith was down from Port Allegany Monday.

A. M. Bean came up from Olean to see the boys this week.

Stephen Philips, of Elmira, was in Eldred on business Monday.

G. H. Waring of Bradford, was in town the last of the week on business.

L. G. Hewes, of Bradford, was looking after affairs in Eldred a little the other day.

W. J. Lakes came up from Holland Monday to look after Eldred friends a little.

Miss Lena Shaw has returned to her home in Sherman, N. Y., after a visit in Eldred.

Ed. McCoy, of Mt. Jewett, came down to Eldred Sunday to see the boys and visit the jag cure.

Mrs. F. Simons and daughter, Emma, have been visiting friends in Buffalo for the past week.

Mrs. Harriet Rutherford has returned to her home in Binghamton, after an extended visit with Eldred friends.

A large load of Smethport friends enjoyed the fine sleighing and visited Monroe's Jag Cure one evening last week.

Mrs. Anthony Garrety is laid up with a broken arm. She was enjoying a sleigh ride with her husband when the cutter was overturned and she was thrown out sustaining [illegible] accident.

This is the last week that Eldred tax payers can get in under the rule that allows them to pay at par, and those who are unlucky enough to have to wait until next week will have to pay an extra 5 per cent.

One more avenue of travel for Eldredites has been closed. The B., E. & C. narrow gauge has ceased to be a reality and now we only have the E. & E. and the W. N. & P. for traffic. Thus one by one the oil country is bereft of its advantages.

The Columbian League which was organized in town several weeks ago for purpose of amusement of its members, held the second session of their club at their new rooms over the Bank, Tuesday evening, and progressive euchre and whist was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. George Dunbar is now a guest of relatives and friends in Eldred and vicinity. George is now with Middaugh's German Ward Co., way up on the Pacific coast in Oregon. He reports to his old friends in this section that their trip is a most prosperous one.

The many friends of E. C. Palmer here looked anxiously for news of that gentleman during the past week, that would indicate he would recover from the very serious illness he has been confined to his home with. He is now some better and hopes are intertained for his recovery.

Some considerable interest was manifest here on the receipt of the news from Bradford of the escapades in that lively burg of our old and staid friend Simeon Lolley, who for many years was a respected resident of this neighborhood and who has always borne an unblemished reputation; but it seems from the accounts of the affair, that since the aged gentleman lost his wife he has gained many laurels as a Lothario, and winner of the affections of other men's wives. Sim should go a little slow.

The permanent organization of the "Glittering Stars" Club for the coming year was perfected the other night by the election of Will Bracken as President; Geo. Bernard, Secretary, and Irwin Galutia as Treasurer. They have completed all their arrangements for their annual ball and the date has been fixed for Monday evening, Jan. 30. This party gave their party last year at the Wolcott opera house, and it was one of the most enjoyable and successful of any ever given here, and this will no doubt have considerable to do with getting a big crowd this time. Jamison's celebrated orchestra has been engaged.

One of the largest funerals ever conducted from either place of worship in this town, was the one from the Baptist church, and presided over by Rev. Berger last Sunday, when the last sad rites were said over the remains of Mr. W. Morgan, who came to such an untimely death, by freezing, the previous week. The remains were interred in the cemetery, at this place, with fitting ceremonies. He was an old resident of this place and had made friends of all who came to know him. A sorrowing family of wife and four children are left to mourn his death. He was a member of the Mason's fraternity and was a soldier for three years.

KANE.

The middle and western division pay car have made their monthly visits.

Geo. W. Campbell contemplates a trip to Florida next week and will be gone a week.

Through west bound passenger trains on the P. & E., have invariably been behind time for the past ten days.

By the breaking of a large belt, the clothespin factory of Kane Bros. & Staples, was shut down several days last week.

Chas. Westerberg, on the Smethport road, who has been suffering with peritonitis of the hip, by a fall, is much improved. Dr. Evan Kane is attending him.

Robt. Fitzpatrick, the model passenger engineer of the western division, is on the goldarned jury this week; he says it may be quite a treat but the pay is small.

G. McCracken, of Pine Camp, died on Friday at the hospital, where he had been brought the day previous, in a dying condition of dry gangrene in his feet. The remains were taken in charge by relatives.

Notwithstanding the dullness in hemlock lumber, Supt. Kinlon, of the United Manufacturing Co., says their business is increasing steadily and are rushed to fill orders in saw teeth and other saw mill fittings.

Our livery complain that notwithstanding the excellent sleighing, but few people in Kane who deem sleighing a luxury, are willing to associate with mercury when below zero, as it has been for some time.

A pitiable looking figure, who had been indulging rather freely from all appearances was brought before our burgess the other day for violation of a borough ordinance. He was given a choice of one of his honors moderate sentences, or a course of treatment at the Dr. Jacobs' Gold Cure. He chose the latter.

L. Johnson, an old and respected citizen, aged 64 years, died suddenly Monday morning at his home on the Jo-Jo road of heart failure. While feeding his stock, he told his son-in-law, A. E. Erickson, that he had great difficulty in breathing. Going into the house, he expired before medical aid could be summoned. His remains were interred in the Union cemetery on Wednesday. He leaves a wife and two daughters.

There came near being a fire in the residence of Wm. C. Myers on Saturday night by a strong flow of gas coming on after the family had retired. On Sunday Mrs. A. B. Colm had a narrow escape from death by suffocation. The low pressure of gas caused the fire to go out in furnace in the cellar, which allowed the gas to escape in the cellar. Mrs. Colm on going to make an investigation, was overcome. She was rescued with difficulty.

A call was issued for a meeting of the citizens in the opera house Monday evening. The object of the meeting was to formulate or devise some plan for procuring gas at lower rates than now charged by the two old companies. There was a very large attendance. Dr. W. J. Armstrong was elected chairman and J. W. Baker of the Kane *Republican*, secretary. Chairman Armstrong stated the object of the meeting, and in a few well chosen remarks gave a statement of former agreements with the gas companies which he claimed had not been strictly carried out by the companies; after which Kurtman, Vollmer, Postmaster Griffiths, Lyle, Craven, Gillis, Gillette, Strub and others had expressed their views, Elisha K. Kane, president of the Citizens Gas Company, arose to give an explanation. A wellknown fact was clearly demonstrated that it is impossible in an assemblage of men brought together for a purpose of this kind, in which there will not be incompetents and some who, through one failing or another, are their own worse enemies even in the best of hands. An attempt was made by a few to prevent Mr. Kane being heard; Mr. Armstrong quickly enforced order, when the speaker proceeded and gave some good logical reasons for the actions he had taken with his company, the Citizens. He councelled caution and reflection in the organization of the third gas plant. C. V. Gillis then addressed the meeting and was given the closest attention to his well timed and commonsense suggestions and remarks. Many witticisms and pleasantries were indulged in by the other speakers, all of which had a meaning and determination as expressed. Money was then raised to procure a charter, after which the meeting adjourned with the best feeling to meet in Griffith's opera house on Tuesday evening, when a permanent organization is to be effected, and an opportunity given to any who desire to subscribe stock for the Fidelity Gas Co., of Kane, or any other name that may seem more appropriate.

CERES.

H. W. Carter, of St. Louis, Mo., was in town over Sunday.

Mrs. G. N. Smith has been passing the week with friends in Olean.

On Saturday last traffic ceased on the B.E.&C. and the mail is now carried by the C., N. Y. & W. railroad.

Norm Ottis, of Randolph, N. Y., who has been visiting at Bradford sometime is now a guest of F. H. Calla.

C. B. Roberts, accompanied by Miss Daisy and Master Earl, attended a party at W. G. Roberts, at Eldred, Saturday.

Frank M. Baker and J. D. Foland, of Addison, N. Y., were in town Saturday attending the closing of the B. E. & C. R. R.

Sunday night was the coldest night of the season so far, the thermometer being 22 degrees below zero. How is that for an open winter.

Revival meetings will be held in the M. E. church during the week, Rev. Grimes, of Olean, will preach Monday evening and Rev. Blanchard, of Roulette, Pa., the remainder of the week.

Mrs. Sarah Gleason mother of our Postmaster J. B. Gleason, of this place, died at the home of her daughter, at Olean, very suddenly Monday evening and was buried at this place on Thursday beside her husband, whose death, occurred about three months ago.

RIXFORD.

R. P. Brown visited Olean last Friday.

M. G. Dennis left for Columbus, Pa., Monday.

Mrs. T. H. Lawry spent several days in Dallas City last week.

During the past week of cold weather, Rixford has suffered a gas famine.

The telegraph gang of the United States Pipe Co. are stringing their wires through town this week.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather the E. A. U. supper last Tuesday evening was not very well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Knox, returned last week from an extended visit to Mrs. Knox's parents in the vicinity of Bolivar, N. Y.

Revival meetings are now in progress at the Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. Taylor was assisted last week by Rev. Bond of Duke Centre.

The Otto township school teachers hold their local institute on Saturday, January 21. Following is the programme for the occasion: Arithmetic, Miss Susie Crandall; Delsarte, Miss [illegible]; Technical Grammar, Prof. G. F. Eckles; [illegible]; Manual Training, [illegible]; School Discipline, L. W. Greenlee.

[illegible] is visiting out of town this week.

John Holland had business at Kinzua, last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Reed were in Buffalo a few days last week.

Mrs. Floyd Yaw is visiting with friends in Friendship this week.

A. A. Stout, of Olean, was in town the first of the week on business.

Constable E. G. Darling had business in Smethport last Tuesday.

The W. C. T. U., held a business meeting at their rooms last Saturday afternoon.

T. H. Callis was called to Smethport last Monday by the serious illness of his sister.

John Card, one of Roulett's business men, was in town last Saturday looking after his property here.

Mrs Wettie Briggs, of Allegany county, N. Y., is in town this week visiting her sister, Mrs. C. A. Larrabee.

The new lockup in this place was named the "Joy House" last Sunday night, being named after Mr. Joy, the first occupant.

A number of our young people drove to Austin last Thursday evening to visit the large mill. They report as having a splendid time, but somehow they can't remember much about the mill.

Dr. Cody, of Olean, was called by Dr. J. V. Otto, to see Mr. J. C. Geding last Saturday. Mr. Geding has been sick for some time, but the doctors say that he will be all right again in a few weeks.

Mr. Keating has sold his interests in the tannery in this place to the heirs of Mr. Rost, and it will have a new manager after the first of June. Mr. Frank Keating will look after the business until then as usual.

Dick Camp, one of our bright young men, who has held a position in the First National Bank in this place for the last four years, has accepted position in the bank of Buffalo, and he entered upon his duties there last Monday. We do not like to lose him as a citizen, but we congratulate him upon his success and we wish him success.

H. J. Hoelscher, who was a citizen of this place about eighteen years ago, was in town last Friday shaking hands with his friends. He is now representing the Pennsylvania Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Philadelphia. Mr. Hoelscher thinks Port Allegany has grown to be a beautiful town, and we admire his judgment.

DUKE CENTRE.

Geo. Fisher was on the sick list last week with a severe cold.

Mrs. Nye returned to Duke last week from her visit with relatives in Bolivar.

Sunday evening and Monday morning it was stinging cold and the gas being weak, the people suffered accordingly.

J. V. Brown, Cleo. Duke, Barrows & Son and Henry Williams are filling their ice houses this week with 18 inch ice.

The Pipe lines are having trouble with their 3 and 4 inch lines freezing up and the gaugers are out every day thawing them out.

Irvine Passmore, late principal of the Eldred schools, was in town last week calling on our directors. He is a candidate for County Superintendent and expects to visit every director in the county and 100 schools besides.

Saturday evening the Republicans will hold their caucus. Three School Directors are to be elected this spring in the place of Mrs. Brown and Messrs Dennis and Thrupp. The two last were elected to fill vacancies and Mrs. Brown was elected for only one year.

Mrs. Daniel Ryan, who has been sick with blood poisoning, for over a week past, died last Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and was buried in the Catholic Cemetery at Ellicottville, N. Y., on Tuesday afternoon. They left here with the remains at 5 o'clock in the morning and drove to Bradford, at which place they took the 7:30 train on the B. R. & P. Mrs. Ryan was a member of the Ladies C. M. B. A. and had $1000 insurance in favor of her husband. She leaves four little children, the oldest only seven years of age and the youngest two weeks. Mr. Ryan and children have the sympathy of all in their sad bereavement.

MT. ALTON.

S. Hughes and family spent last Sunday with Riderville friends.

Miss Maggie Lynn, of Wellsville, N. Y., is visiting Miss Tresa O'Connell.

Rev. Getman returned last Friday accompanied by his wife and three children.

The household of Mr. Bainey's are rejoicing over a young heir who arrived Thursday.

The Alton Dramatic Company played to a large house at Big Shanty on Friday evening.

The school trouble here has died away and resulted, as such cases usually do, in favor of the teacher.

Prof. Eckles, of Smethport, visited our school here last week, and according to reports, found good work going on.

One of Mrs. Quinn's little children had the scarlet fever last week. We think there are no more new cases in town.

Mr. Pearson, who has been living at Bond Vein, several months, has moved his family to Alton in Mrs. A. Quinn's house.

Grace, only daughter of Geo. Koons, at Lafayette, has been quite ill the past week with quinsy. Dr. Ward is in attendance.

Mrs. L. Aldrich and daughter Della, left last Friday for Cuba, N. Y., where they will visit some weeks before going to their new home at Rising Sun, O.

Last Tuesday night was the coldest this winter we believe and what caused it to seem still colder, there was a scarcity of gas for a couple of hours, caused by its being partly frozen in the line near the regulator. A good many of our people were wondering whose wood-pile they could visit if the present state of affairs continued.

CLERMONT.

Mr. Rayer will start his saw mill this week.

This kind of weather makes the woodsmen smile.

Miss Anna Gaynor is attending school at Olean.

Hugh Boyd is in Renovo attending to some business matters.

We are just now having a spell of cold weather around here.

New goods is received by Mr. Butts at the postoffice store every day.

John O. Sonbergh went to Quinton yesterday to be gone two or three days.

Messrs. Quinn & Sherman's mill at Quinton has again started up this week.

John J. Hafner came to town Saturday evening and attended the Odd Fellows lodge.

C. P. Erlandson has the agency in this place for a wellknown family medicine, called the "Kuripo."

Miss Maggie Gaynor of Olean, came up and spent New Year's with her parents, Mr. and Mrs Pat Gaynor.

Chas. Keys was down to Johnsonburg yesterday. He says they have summer weather down there compared with what we have on this hill.

Wm. Hinton, Esq., has taken charge of the Olean Yard. This yard is one of the most difficult in the country to handle, but we venture to say that Mr. Hinton is able to fill the bill. Bert Harvey succeeds him here as yard master and Eugene assistant yard master.

COLEGROVE.

Telegrapher Berryman is able to be about again.

Very cold weather, plenty of snow and high winds during the past week.

The people of Norwich have a new organ in the school house at that place.

Rev. Mynard commences a series of revival meetings at Norwich on Tuesday evening of this week.

County Supt. Eckles visited the schools in the lower part of the township last week. The schools above had been previously visited.

John Granteer lost one of his horses very unexpectedly last week. While working, the horse suddenly appeared sick, and died in a few minutes.

Mamie Colegrove has been very sick during the past ten days with scarlet fever. At present she is much better and apparently will soon recover entirely.

An oyster supper for the benefit of Rev. Mr. Mynard, will be given at the home of Mr. Orson Gallup, of Norwich, on Friday evening of this week. All are cordially invited to attend.

The mill of E. G. Pelton, at Crosby, has shut down for indefinite length of time. Some difficulty in regard to the tram-road interferes with their getting logs to the mill at present.

Of Interest to the Boys.

Agent wanted for the Elmira Telegram in Smethport. Greatest family paper on earth. Sixteen pages. Lively boy can make money. Address Elmira Telegram, Elmira, N. Y.

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Success in everything depends largely upon good health. DeWitt's Little Early Riser's are little health producing pills See the point? Then take an "Early Riser."

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Mrs. Will Gifford, of King street, will accommodate a few court boarders, [illegible] preferred.

In case of hard cold nothing will relieve the breathing as quick as an application of Arnica and Oil Liniment on the chest. For sale by H. C. Wells.

Something new in the line of collars. Gleason & Lonsmier have just received what is termed a cork collar. Call in and examine it before purchasing elsewhere.

All those who have used Baxter's Mandrake Bitters speak very strongly in their praise. Twenty five cents per bottle. For sale by H. C. Wells.

The name of N. H. Downs' still lives although he has been dead many years. His Elixir for the cure of coughs and colds has already outlived him a quarter of a century, and is still growing in favor with the public. For sale by H. C. Wells.

Travelers may learn a lesson from Mr. C. D. Cone a prominent attorney of Parker, Dakota who says: "I never leave home without taking a bottle of Chamberlain's colic cholera and diarrhoea Remedy with me, and on many occasions have ran with it to the relief of some sufferer and have never known it to fail." For sale by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist.

Read from the treasured volume
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And lend to the rhyme of poetry
The beauty of thy voice.

Which you cannot do if you suffer with cough or cold. Rid yourself of the discomfort by buying a bottle of Pan-Tina the best remedy for hoarseness and influenza. Pan-Tina costs 25 cents at Frank R. Foster's Drug Store.

Mr. William T. Price, a Justice of the Peace, at Richmond, Nebraska, was confined to his bed last winter with an attack of lumbago; but a thorough application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm enabled him to get up and go to work. Mr. Price says: "The Remedy cannot be recommended to highly." Let any one troubled with rheumatism, neuralgia or lame back give it a trial and they will be of the same opinion. 50 cent bottles for sale by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist.

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1892.

The new Dunlap hat is now ready for your inspection, this hat needs no comments, other than being the best hat in the world. Ike Simons, 30 Main St Bradford, Pa. Sole Agent for McKean Co

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Smethport, Pa., Jan. 11th 1893 3.t.

The Bazaar

Tuesday, Jan. 3

On That Day We Shall Commence a Great Two Weeks Red Ticket Sale at the Bazarr.

Our patrons know what red ticket prices means—a deep cut from established values—for two weeks only. You can stock up then and save considerable money. We think it is time to begin to consider delayed needs, and have decided to hold this sale for a limited time. This will be a good opportunity to buy such staple goods as

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We are having considerable inquiry for such goods already. Now is the time to look alive. This sale is one of our old timers—no half measures—a regular "tidal wave" of bargains. Every article in the store will be re-marked and reduced from 10 to 20 per cent. lower.

—ON—

Tuesday, January 3.

Our red ticket sale commences. From that day on you will hear your friends speak of the bargains they have secured at the Bazaar. Nothing reserved; everything to be sold on the same low price system. Look for it watch for it. The Bazaar's "Red Ticket Sale" will be an opportunity worth waiting for.

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THE LEADING AND LARGEST
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Election Notice.

Whereas the Corporate Authorities of the Borough of Smethport have by vote determined to construct a Trunk Sewer along Water street in Borough provided the assent of the electors is given to the necessary increase of indebtedness as below set forth. Now notice is hereby given, That an Election will be held at the place for holding the municipal elections in said Borough, on Tuesday, February 21, 1893, for the purpose of a vote being taken on the question of the proposed increase of indebtedness, under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of the State of Pennsylvania approved June, 1881, regulating the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities:

Amount of the last assessed valuation of the said Borough	$174,735 00
Amount of existing debt	2,800 00
Amount of proposed increase	6,000 00
Percentage of proposed increase 3-43 100 per cent.	

W. D. GALLUP,
Burgess.

ROBT. H. ROSE,
Attorney Borough Council.

WANTED AGENTS, local and traveling, at once, to sell Ornamental Trees, Rose Shrubs and fruits. Experience unnecessary. Salary and expenses paid weekly. Permanent positions. No security required. Must furnish reference as to good character. CHARLES H. CHASE, Rochester, N. Y. Mention this paper.

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North America, Philadelphia	$ [illegible]
Franklin, Philadelphia	[illegible]
Pennsylvania Fire, Philadelphia	[illegible]
County, Philadelphia	[illegible]
Hanover, New York	[illegible]
Sun, Fire, London, U. S. Branch	[illegible]
Royal, London	[illegible]
Commercial Union, London	[illegible]

LIFE INSURANCE.

Mutual Life, New York	[illegible]
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MRS. T. D. NASH.

Smethport, Pa., Jan. 18, 1893.

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Northern Light	" - -	**1.10 a sack**
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Our bargain counter has been replenished this week, so that bargain seekers can get almost anything they may qeruire at first cost.

We have some remnants of heavy winter goods to close out very cheap.

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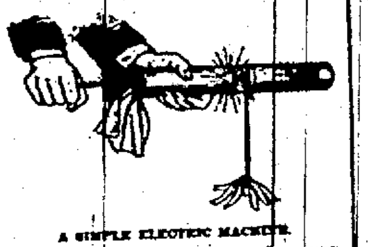
By means of the simple arrangement here illustrated one can repeat on a small scale many of the experiments usually performed in a fully appointed laboratory. To make this little electric machine one should take a lamp chimney and fasten round its center, with a little gum or paste, a ring of thin tinfoil, similar to that used to wrap round cakes of chocolate, etc. Paste also a narrow strip of similar foil along the glass from one of its ends to within about one-third of an inch of the ring above mentioned. This done, wrap a silk handkerchief round one of those cylindrical brushes which are used for cleaning lamp chimneys, and with it rub smartly the interior of the tube, taking care that your fingers do not touch any part of the tinfoil. If you try the experiment in a darkened room, each time you draw the brush completely out of the glass cylinder you will see a brilliant spark flash between the two strips of foil, affording an excellent example of the electrification of glass by friction.



A SIMPLE ELECTRIC MACHINE.

For another experiment attach to the glass tube, passing it around the ring of tinfoil, a bit of brass or iron wire, to the lower end of which you have suspended strips of thin paper, obtained by cutting a couple of cigarette papers lengthwise into three portions. Rub the inside of the tube as before, but inserting the brush, still wrapped in the handkerchief, at the opposite end—i. e., that remote from the straight strip of foil. The metallic ring becomes charged with electricity, which passes down the wire to the little strips of paper, and you will see them diverge, mutually repelling each other. By these experiments you will have demonstrated—

First—That substances which are bad conductors, such as glass, may be electrified by friction.

Second—That substances which are good conductors, as metal wire, transmit the electric fluid from a body which is electrified (the glass) to one which is not so (the paper).

Third—Lastly, that substances charged with electricity of the same kind—i. e., positive or negative, as the case may be—repel each other.

Moisture is the chief cause of failure in electrical experiments. You should therefore choose the driest of weather for your operations and thoroughly dry before the fire brush, handkerchief and lamp chimney.

How Are Young Spiders Fed?

Scientific books teach that young spiders derive their food from the atmosphere. A correspondent of Science, however, records an incident which does not agree with this theory. He discovered in a plowed field an enormous spider of the lycosidæ species, which was 1½ inches long. She presented a very curious appearance, being covered with scores of tiny spiders from one end of her body to the other. When she was touched with a weed stem the young spiders scampered off at a lively rate, only to return when left to themselves. The spinnarets and abdomen of the mother spider were greatly distended. Suddenly there was a copious flow of white liquid, which the young greedily devoured. Examining the fluid under the microscope, the observer was fully convinced that this was veritable milk, and that this spider had at least nursed her young instead of bringing them up on atmospheric moisture.

Carbonic Acid to Remove Scale.

At a recent meeting of a German philosophical society it was recommended to remove boiler scale by the use of a tank filled with carbonic acid, connecting with the boiler previously filled with cold water. It is said to act as follows: The water is soon saturated with carbonic acid, and this carbonic acid water dissolves the carbonate of lime, the principal component of boiler scale, forming acid carbonate of lime. The gypsum combined with it is precipitated, and on the water being drawn off the boiler is found to be free from scale.

Vaporized Petroleum for Fuel.

For fuel in the new hot blast heating furnace in the shrinking pit at the Washington ordnance shops it is said vaporized petroleum has been very successful. The officers in charge of the shops have under consideration a plan for using it in the furnaces of the boilers used in the shops, thus doing away with coal entirely. It is proposed to store the fuel in tanks sunk in the ground at a safe distance from all buildings and carry it by a pipe to the boiler house, where it will be vaporized and blown into the furnaces.—Power.

Scientific Brevities.

The researches of the growth of plants and trees under the influence of the electric light have led M. Bonnier to conclude that the electric light is decidedly less effective in promoting vegetation than solar light.

The electric motor fan has been applied to chimney flues to create drafts where very high buildings are built adjoining low ones.

A new notion in distress signals for a ship at sea, noted by a contemporary, is a sheet iron kite carrying incandescent lights. The current from the ship's dynamo is conveyed along the kite string.

Isinglass, boiled in spirits of wine, will produce a transparent cement which will unite broken glass so as to render the fracture almost imperceptible, says The Industrial World.

A scientific society in Germany purposes to devote about $10,000 to the construction of a huge balloon fifty-six feet in diameter with a capacity of 2,500 cubic meters of gas. It is to be made of Egyptian cotton stuff and will be coated with vulcanized gum. A special valve of a new kind will be used. In the interests of aerial navigation it is proposed to make within a year something like fifty journeys with this balloon and to ascend to as high an altitude as possible.

India rubber curtains that can be decorated in any manner desired are being produced by a firm in Germany.

Hard black glass is a new form of pavement and building blocks.

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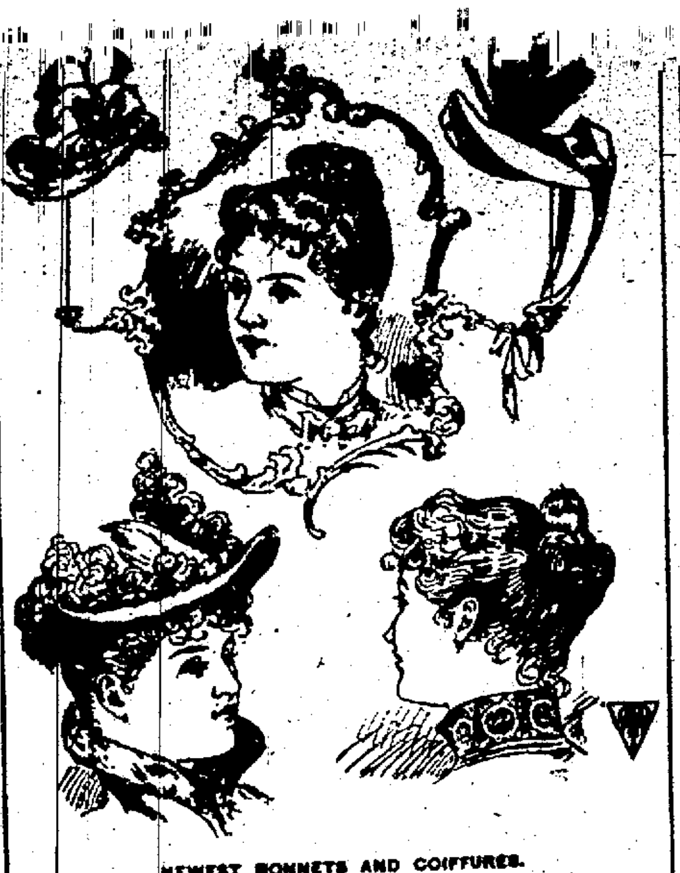


NEWEST BONNETS AND COIFFURES.

These are some of the latest ideas in head coverings and the arrangement of the hair. The bonnets above are intended for evening wear, while that underneath is for the street.

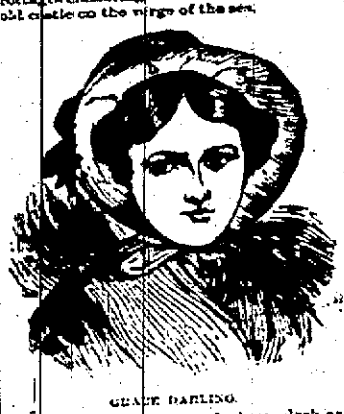
OUR YOUNG FOLKS

A HEROINE OF THE SEA.

The Short Story of Grace Darling and Her Rescue of a Shipwrecked Crew.

In the lists of heroines of the world stands the name of Grace Darling, who, though small in stature and of very frail and delicate constitution, accomplished by sheer pluck a famous rescue of human life from peril at sea more than fifty years ago. All that now remains to tell the tale of Grace Darling to those of this generation is the modest tombstone in the old churchyard of Bamburg, Northumberland, in England. Upon it are inscribed these words: "Grace Horsley Darling, born Nov. 20, 1815, S. S. Forfarshire wrecked Sept. 7, 1838, died Oct. 20, 1842, aged 26 years."

Under the canopy covering the tomb Grace Darling's effigy lies carved in stone. The face is sweet and girlish; the pose of the slender figure is graceful, as with tiny hands folded over her breast her arm encircles an oar, the emblem of her greatness. In that little grass grown churchyard Grace lies in lonely state, close to the picturesque village, with its white walled thatched roof cottages clustering at the foot of the grim old castle on the verge of the sea.



GRACE DARLING.

Standing within the castle keep, dark as the night may be, one can always see the revolving light of the Longstone lighthouse shedding its intermittent gleams upon the black waters to warn mariners of sunken rocks and perilous passages. Here in this lighthouse lived Grace was living in 1838 when the ship struck upon Harker's rock and it was from there, aided by the fisher heroic mother, who pushed off their little boat, that the father and daughter set off through the blinding storm to rescue the shipwrecked crew.

Mr. Darling's tiny cockleshell of a boat could not have lived in the open sea for any length of time, and it was by creeping under shelter of a fence of rocks and rowing with the gale that they were able through almost superhuman exertions to traverse the mile and a half between their island and the wreck and bring off in safety nine people.

Honors and wealth poured in upon Grace Darling as well as her brave father, but she did not live long to enjoy them. Within four short years the brief span of her life came to an end.

A Pretty Compliment.

Jacob Grimm—who, with his brother William, formed the well known collection of fairy tales and legends—once received a pretty compliment. A little girl eight years old called at his house one day, asked to see him and was shown into his library. Kindly inquiring what she wanted, the lassie, staring at him very earnestly, replied, "Is it thou that hast written those fine marchen (fairy tales)?" "Yes, my dear," answered the herr professor, "my brother and I have written the haus-marchen." "Then thou hast also written the tale of the clever little tailor, where it is said at the end who will not believe it must pay a thaler?" "Yes, I have written that too." "Well, then, I do not believe it, and so I suppose I must pay a thaler, but as I have not so much money yet I'll give thee a groschen (about two cents) on account and pay the rest by and by." Highly delighted at this proof of his power as a story teller and amused with her simple mindedness and conscientiousness, Dr. Grimm dismissed his little visitor after giving instructions that she was to be sent safely home.

About the Pigtail.

When the Manchoos conquered China in 1627, or thereabouts, they compelled Chinamen to wear the pigtail as a mark of subjection. What was meant to be a sign of disgrace, however, has long ceased to be so regarded, and a Chinaman would as soon have you kill him almost as cut off his pigtail. Nearly every one wears it, and when the hair is scanty they make it go further by using silk or false hair. To tie two criminals together by their pigtails is to inflict upon them a degrading punishment. In the presence of a superior it is always let down.

Great Men Always Blue Eyed.

"Among the great men of the world blue eyes have always predominated," affirms somebody who backs this sweeping assertion as follows: Socrates, Shakespeare, Locke, Bacon, Milton, Goethe, Franklin, Napoleon and Renan all had blue eyes. The eyes of Bismarck, Gladstone, Huxley, Virchow and Buchner are also of this color, and all the presidents of the United States, except General Harrison, enjoy the same cerulean color as to their optics.

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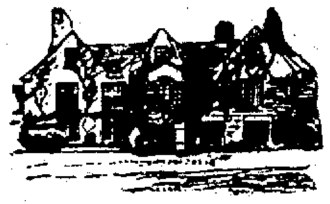
SIR WALTER RALEIGH'S HOUSE.

Where Tobacco Was First Smoked and Potatoes First Planted in Ireland.

The house here illustrated enjoys the distinction of having been the Irish residence of Sir Walter Raleigh. It is a fine old Elizabethan structure, built by the great navigator in 1588, and is situated at Youghal, in the county of Cork.



RALEIGH'S IRISH HOME.

It is impossible to tell how long the restless adventurer settled in this quiet retreat, known as "Myrtle Grove." He was mayor of Youghal for two years, and he was certainly visited by his friend Spenser in this his Irish home. "In this spot," writes Mrs. S. C. Hall of the garden at Myrtle Grove, "beyond question have been read portions of the 'Faerie Queene' long before the world became familiar with the divine conception

"At whose approach the soul of Petrarch wept, For here certainly the immortal bard held communion with his 'deare friend' and brother poet, whom he described as 'the somer nightingale,'

"Himselfe as skilful in that art as any.

"In the garden there is a group of four aged yew trees, which tradition states to have been planted by Raleigh, and where it requires no stretch of fancy to believe that he has many a time sat, read and talked or lolled in the summer time, dreaming of El Dorado, in the vain search of which he sacrificed his fortune and ultimately his life."

The grounds appear to be remarkable for the luxurious growth of myrtles, bays, arbutus and other exotics. Some of the myrtles, from which the place received its name, exceed twenty feet in height. Here also the first potatoes ever planted in Ireland were grown, and also the first tobacco plant imported by Raleigh. Every one knows the story of the servant maid who emptied a pail of water over her master, thinking him to be on fire. Whatever truth there may be in this tradition, it is generally asserted that the first pipe of tobacco lit in Ireland was smoked here. The house will thus be seen to be of unique interest.

The Use of the Loving Cup.

Every prosperous woman's club has its loving cup, but how many of the guests who see it gracing the banquet know its origin or the graceful ceremonial which should be observed in drinking from it? asks The Jewelers' Circular. The loving cup should have two or three handles and a cover and is handed to the principal guest as the toasts begin. The guest takes it by the handles, and standing turns to the person nearest, who also stands, and both bow. Then while the second guest removes the lid the first one drinks and with another bow passes the cup to his neighbor, who replaces the lid and presents it in turn to the next guest, and so the ceremony is repeated.

In the old days of chivalry and of treachery, as a man while drinking from the cup was practically defenseless, his companion was required to remove the cover with his sword hand that he might not take advantage of the other.

Every One for Himself.

"Every one for himself, and the devil catch the hindmost." This proverb, which is widely diffused over Europe, some suppose had its origin in an ancient Spanish legend concerning the devil, who had a school of magic at Toledo. At the close of the term the graduating class were made to run through a subterranean hall, the venerable president being entitled to the hindmost if he could catch him. It was added that as the hindmost had the benefit of a post graduate course he turned out the best magician, but his soul was hopelessly forfeit. In Cervantes, however, and in Heywood, the proverb appears, "Every man for himself, and God for us all." The earliest appearance in English literature of the now common form seems to be, says Walsh in his handbook of literary curiosities, in Burton's "Anatomy of Melancholy," "Every man for himself, his own ends, the devil for all."

He That Was Born to Be Hanged.

"He that was born to be hanged will never be drowned," is an old English proverb which has its equivalent in other languages. Thus the Danes say, "He that is hanged will never be drowned unless the water goes over the gallows." The Italians have it, "He that is to die by the gallows may dance on the river," and the Dutch say, "What belongs to the raven does not drown."

Shakespeare alludes to this proverb in "The Tempest" when he makes Gonzago say of the boatswain: "I have great comfort from this fellow; methinks he hath no drowning mark upon him. His complexion is perfect gallows. Stand fast, good fate, to his hanging! Make the rope of his destiny our cable, for our own doth little advantage. If he be not born to be hanged our case is miserable."

How the Worm Gets Into the Chestnut.

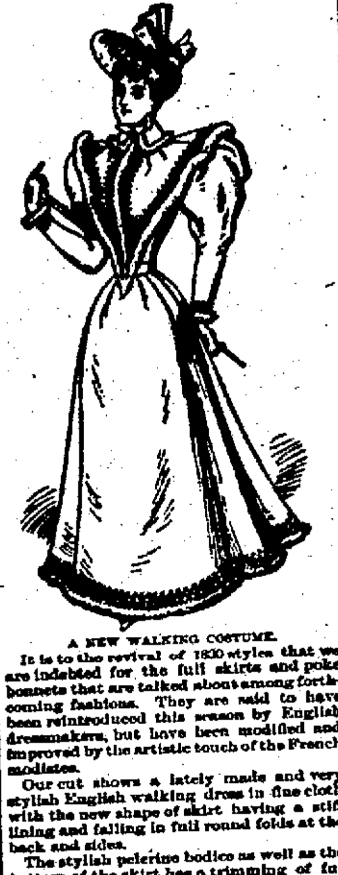
A scientific person explains this point as follows: When the nut is still green an insect comes along, and hunting a warm place in which to have its eggs hatched lights upon the green chestnut and stings it. At the same time it deposits some of its eggs in the opening thus made. The chestnut begins to ripen, and at the same time the eggs are hatching. The insect selects chestnuts as a place for depositing its eggs as being the best adapted place by instinct. The floury matter in the nut turns to sugar, and sugar contains carbon, which produces heat.

For instance, Mrs. Chas. Rogers, of Bay City, Mich., accidentally spilled scalding water over her little boy. She promptly applied DeWitt's Witch Hazel salve, giving instant relief. It's a wonderfully good salve for burns, bruises, cuts, and sure for piles.

THE NEWEST GOWNS.

The Perfect Empire Gown—Stylish English Walking Costume.

Of all the styles upon which fashion has been pleased to smile of late the empire seems to retain her favor the longest. An absolutely perfect empire gown, as defined by high English authority, is made of black satin. The cut of the bodice is almost indescribable. It fits absolutely tightly without seams, as if some fairy fingers had sewn it together and left no trace of their handiwork, while in the front it is draped very full over the bust, and at the top, both back and front, are two pointed revers turning back in the most becoming fashion and embroidered with white and gold and red beads.



A NEW WALKING COSTUME.

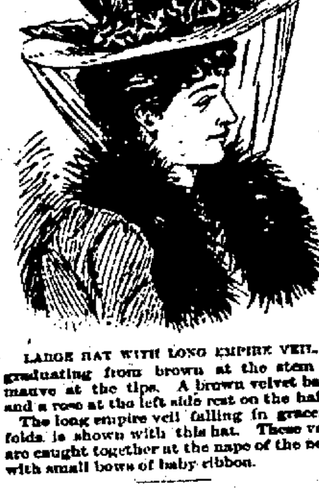
It is to the revival of 1830 styles that we are indebted for the full skirts and poke bonnets that are talked about among forthcoming fashions. They are said to have been reintroduced this season by English dressmakers, but have been modified and improved by the artistic touch of the French modistes.

Our cut shows a lately made and very stylish English walking dress in fine cloth with the new shape of skirt having a stiff lining and falling in full round folds at the back and sides.

The stylish pelerine bodice as well as the bottom of the skirt has a trimming of fur and fancy gold wrought edging. The trimming of the poke bonnet is upstanding loops of ribbon held by a buckle. The brim is faced with velvet and has a twist of velvet which rests upon the hair of the wearer.

A Stylish Hat.

The large hat depicted in the cut is in dead leaf brown felt, trimmed with knots and wings of massive velvet shot with brown and gold, and with velvet roses shaded to match and large full ospreys



LARGE HAT WITH LONG EMPIRE VEIL.

graduating from brown at the stem to mauve at the tips. A brown velvet band and a rose at the left side rest on the hair.

The long empire veil falling in graceful folds is shown with this hat. These veils are caught together at the nape of the neck with small bows of baby ribbon.

Petticoats Banished.

There is a rumor in the fashionable world to the effect that petticoats are to be banished for trousers of monstrous size, made of silk or satin and trimmed with lace. Of course these will not be adopted at once, but there certainly are indications that the petticoat is doomed for ordinary everyday wear. It may not disappear today or tomorrow, but in the coming by and by the ordinary undergarments of the ordinary women will assume the form of a pair of trousers. Combination garments are now on the market, of silk and of woolen, that include petticoat, knickerbockers and chemise.

Popular Colors.

The new shades of purple and violet that are coming into vogue may suit a few blonds, but they are by no means becoming to dark women. All the same the popularity of petunia, magenta and violet continues to grow apace. In time the violet, it is believed, will supersede the other shades, but at the moment petunia is the most in demand.

Fashion Notes.

Rings with two flowers and colored stones are seen. These are a variation of an old fashion. They are shaped like forgetmenots, with a stone in the center surrounded by stones of another color.

The long shoulder seams of the 1830 styles do not meet with much favor, but the skirts very full around the bottom are making their way toward more general recognition.

Hats being large afford a wide field for placing ornaments—large velvet bows, always with two pointed ends like ears, feathers and gold buckles. On some toques a tuft of curled feathers is placed at the side, fastened with a jewel.

A Hint for the Sickroom.

The problem of replenishing a coal fire in absolute silence in a sickroom or in the rooms adjoining is solved by filling the coal into small paper bags, such as grocers use, or bags may be made for the purpose instead of the coal scuttle, and placing both bag and coal on the fire. This may be done even where the stove is a self feeder by watching the fire and adding the little bags as needed through the stove door instead of the top.

The Best Washcloth.

Dr. Erasmus Wilson, the famous skin specialist, has declared in favor of using the hands for the friction of the skin when bathing. He says, "The hand is endowed with mind and knows much better than can a lifeless sponge or a coarse piece of toweling the needs of each portion with which it comes in contact."

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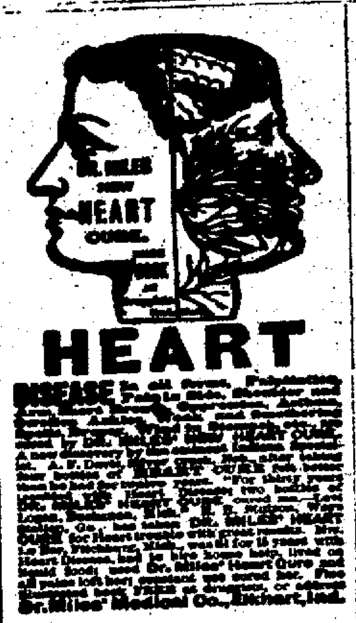

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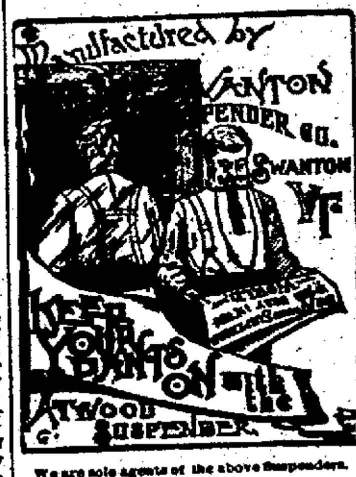

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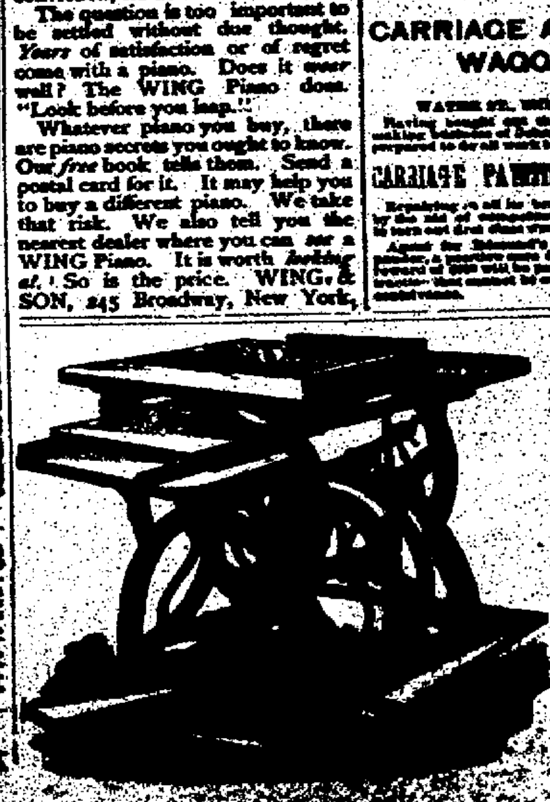

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[illegible]	Alton	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Smethport	[illegible]
[illegible]	Mt. Jewett	[illegible]
[illegible]	Kane	[illegible]
[illegible]	Allegheny	[illegible]

JNO. C. [illegible]

Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway.

THE SHORT LINE

Between Buffalo, Rochester, Salamanca, Bradford, Ridgway, DuBois, Punxsutawney and the Coal and Lumber Regions of Pennsylvania.

On and after Nov. 16, 1890, passenger trains will leave Bradford and Mt. Jewett, daily except Sunday, as follows:

LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST BOUND.

7.30 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Buffalo, Machias, Cowlesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.

2.30 p. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy, and Rochester.

2.30 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Sundays only. For Limestone, Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—SOUTH BOUND.

8.07 a. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

1.46 p. m.—Mail—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

5.15 p. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

Thousand Mile Tickets, good for passage between all stations, at two cents per mile.

For time tables and full information call on or address any of the Company's agents, or

R. LUNDERMAN, Agent, Bradford, Pa.

EDWARD C. LAPEY,

J. H. BARRETT, Gen'l Passenger Agent, Gen'l Superintendent, Rochester, N. Y. Bradford, Pa.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, taking effect Monday, July 6, 1891.

AR. EASTW'D.			STATIONS.	L'V WESTW'D		
A. M.	P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Coudersport	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Fine Creek Jc	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hammond	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Fish Basket	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Olmsted	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Mina	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Knowlton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Roulette	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Burtville	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Colesburg	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Port Allegany	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

PINE CREEK DIVISION.

[illegible]	[illegible]	Coudersport	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pine Creek Junction	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fass Crossing	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ladona	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sweden Valley	[illegible]	[illegible]

Trains run on eastern standard time.

B. A. McCLURE, Sup't.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect Dec 28, 1890.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION

EASTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Train 8, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., New York [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p.m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 4, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7.00 a. m.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 6, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m., Baltimore [illegible] a. m., Washington [illegible] a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg.

WESTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Train 1, daily except Sunday for Ridgway, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations, leaves Ridgway [illegible] p. m. for Erie.

[illegible] a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and intermediate stations.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 11 daily except Sunday for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 1 leaves Renovo [illegible] a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Jc. [illegible] a. m. Train 11 leaves Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., Washington [illegible] a. m., Baltimore [illegible] a. m. daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction [illegible] p. m. with Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches to Kane.

Train 3, leaves New York [illegible] p. m., Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., daily, arriving at Emporium Junc. [illegible] a.m. with Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and passenger coaches, from Philadelphia to Erie.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.

Daily except Sunday.

NORTH A. M. L'V.	STATIONS.	SOUTH AR. A. M.
9 40	Ridgway	[illegible]
9 55	Johnsonburg	[illegible]
10 10	Glen Hazel	[illegible]
10 19	Straight	[illegible]
10 24	Instanter	[illegible]
10 30	Smith's Run	[illegible]
10 37	Woodvale	[illegible]
10 45	Clermont	[illegible]

Connections are made with [illegible] at Johnsonburg at 2:10 p. m. for [illegible] intermediate points, arriving at [illegible] p. m. Also at Ridgway with [illegible] at 1:45 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

CHAS. E. PUGH, General Manager. [illegible], Gen'l Passenger A't.

T. H. PURTLE

General Blacksmithing,

CARRIAGE AND WAGGON WORK.

WATER ST., [illegible], PA.

Having bought out the carriage and wagon making business of John [illegible], I am now prepared to do all work in the above lines.

CARRIAGE PAINTING A SPECIALTY

Repairing on all its branches promptly done by the aid of competent workmen. I am also prepared to turn out first class work at moderate prices.

Agent for [illegible] Hoof [illegible], a positive cure for contracted feet. A reward of $100 will be paid for any case of contraction that cannot be cured by the use of this ointment.